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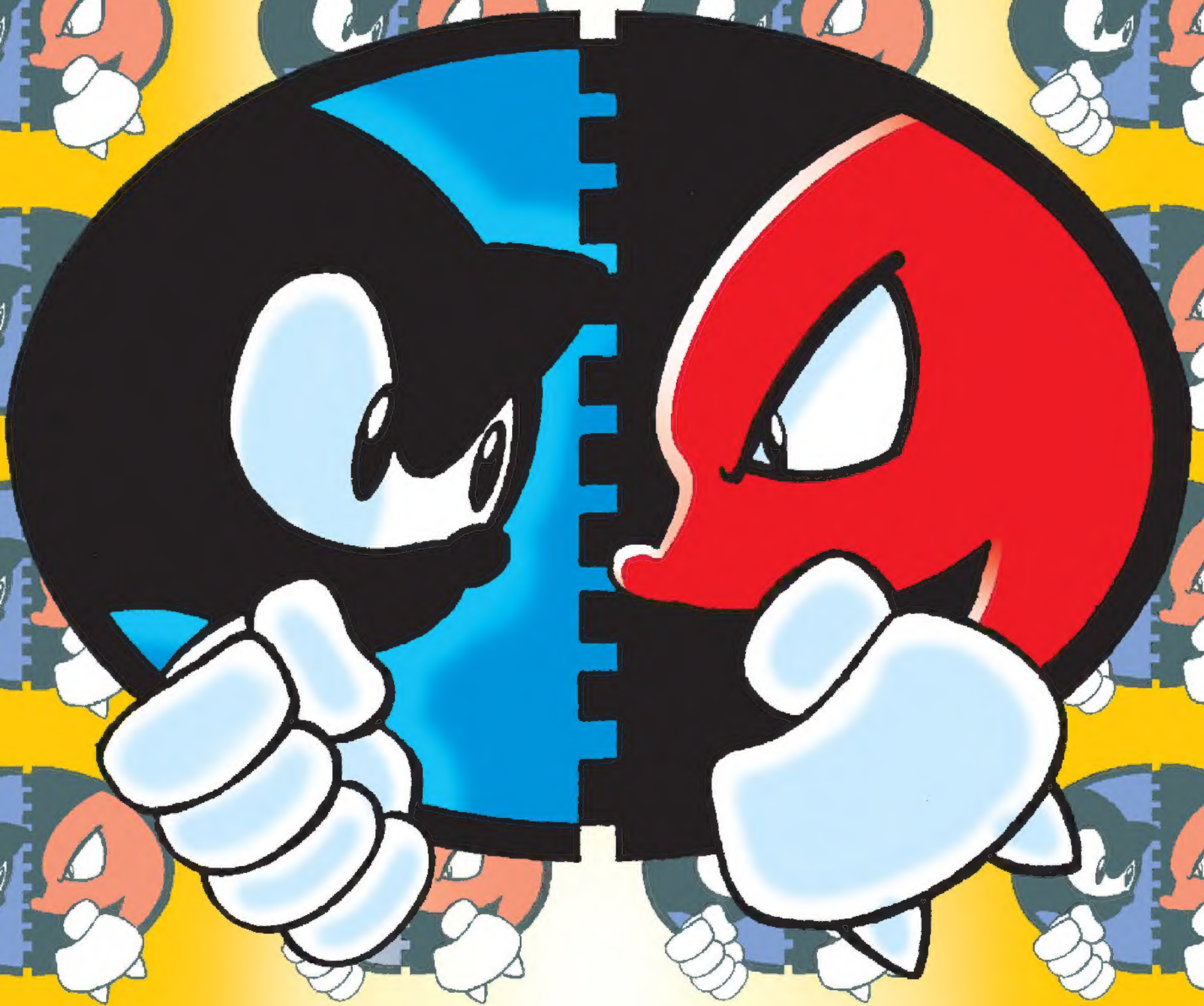
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**SONIC vs. KNUCKLES™**

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## **"BATTLE ROYAL!"**

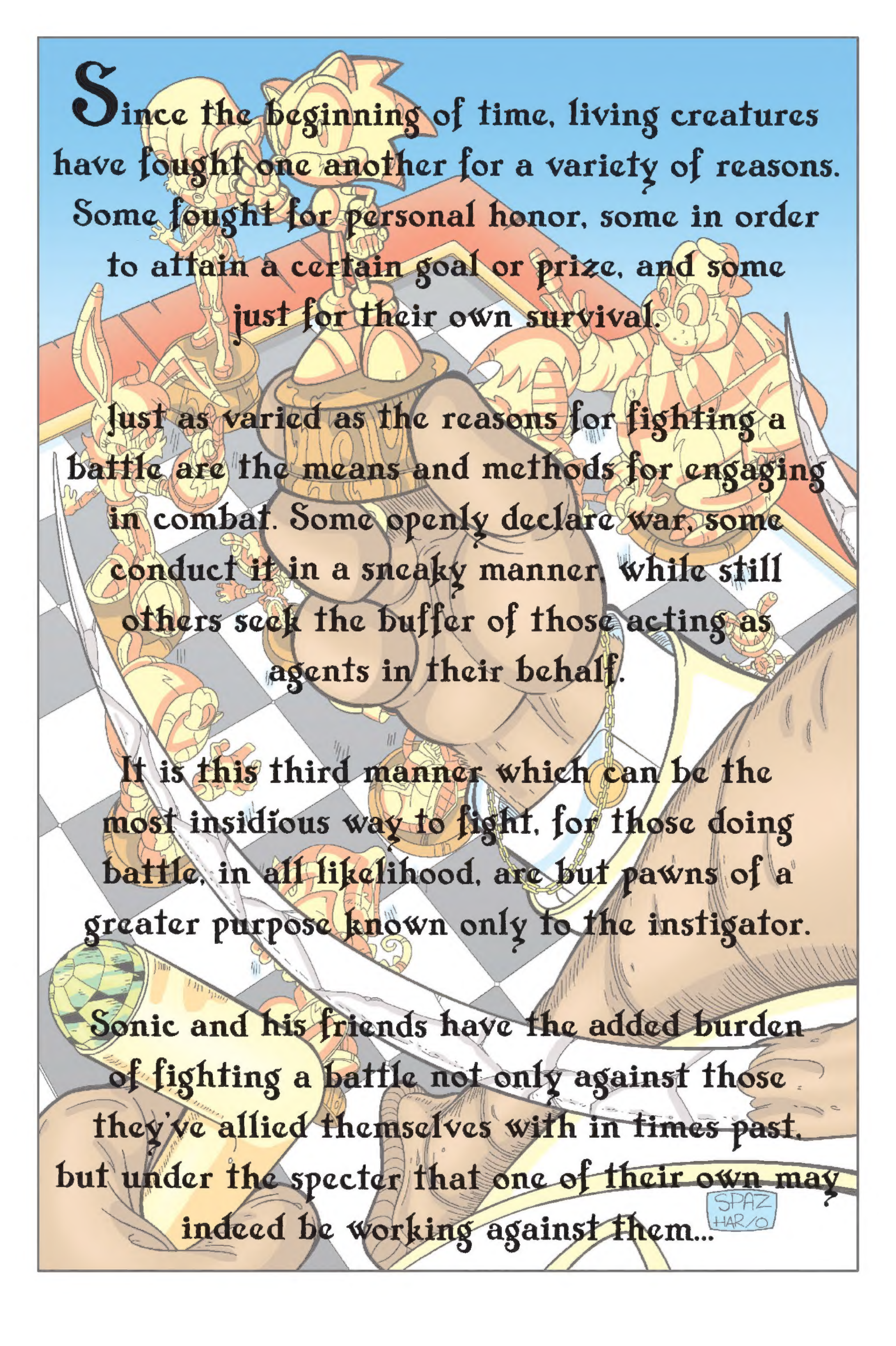
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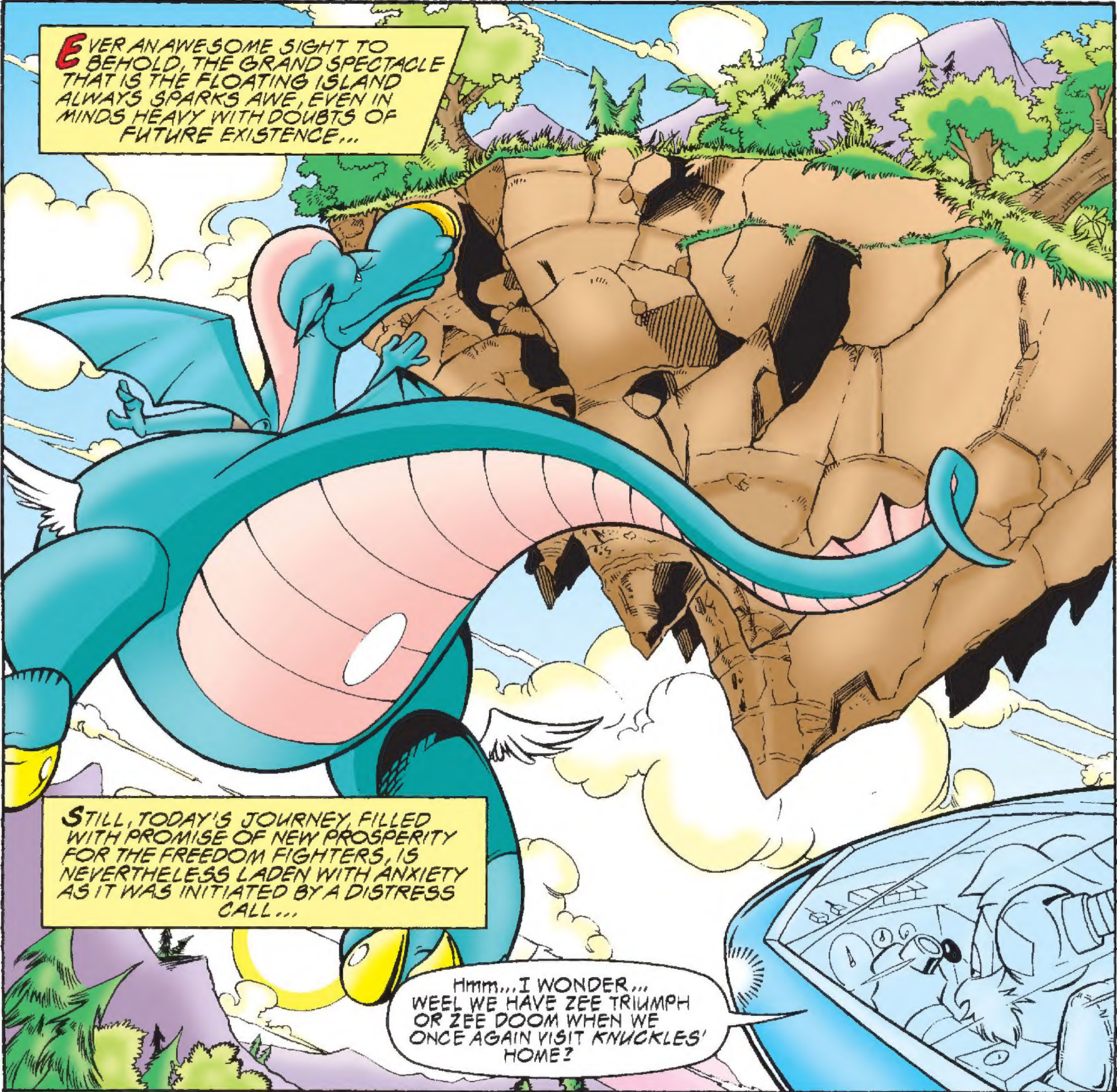
Since the beginning of time, living creatures have fought one another for a variety of reasons. Some fought for personal honor, some in order to attain a certain goal or prize, and some just for their own survival.

Just as varied as the reasons for fighting a battle are the means and methods for engaging in combat. Some openly declare war, some conduct it in a sneaky manner, while still others seek the buffer of those acting as agents in their behalf.

It is this third manner which can be the most insidious way to fight, for those doing battle, in all likelihood, are but pawns of a greater purpose known only to the instigator.

Sonic and his friends have the added burden of fighting a battle not only against those they've allied themselves with in times past, but under the specter that one of their own may indeed be working against them...

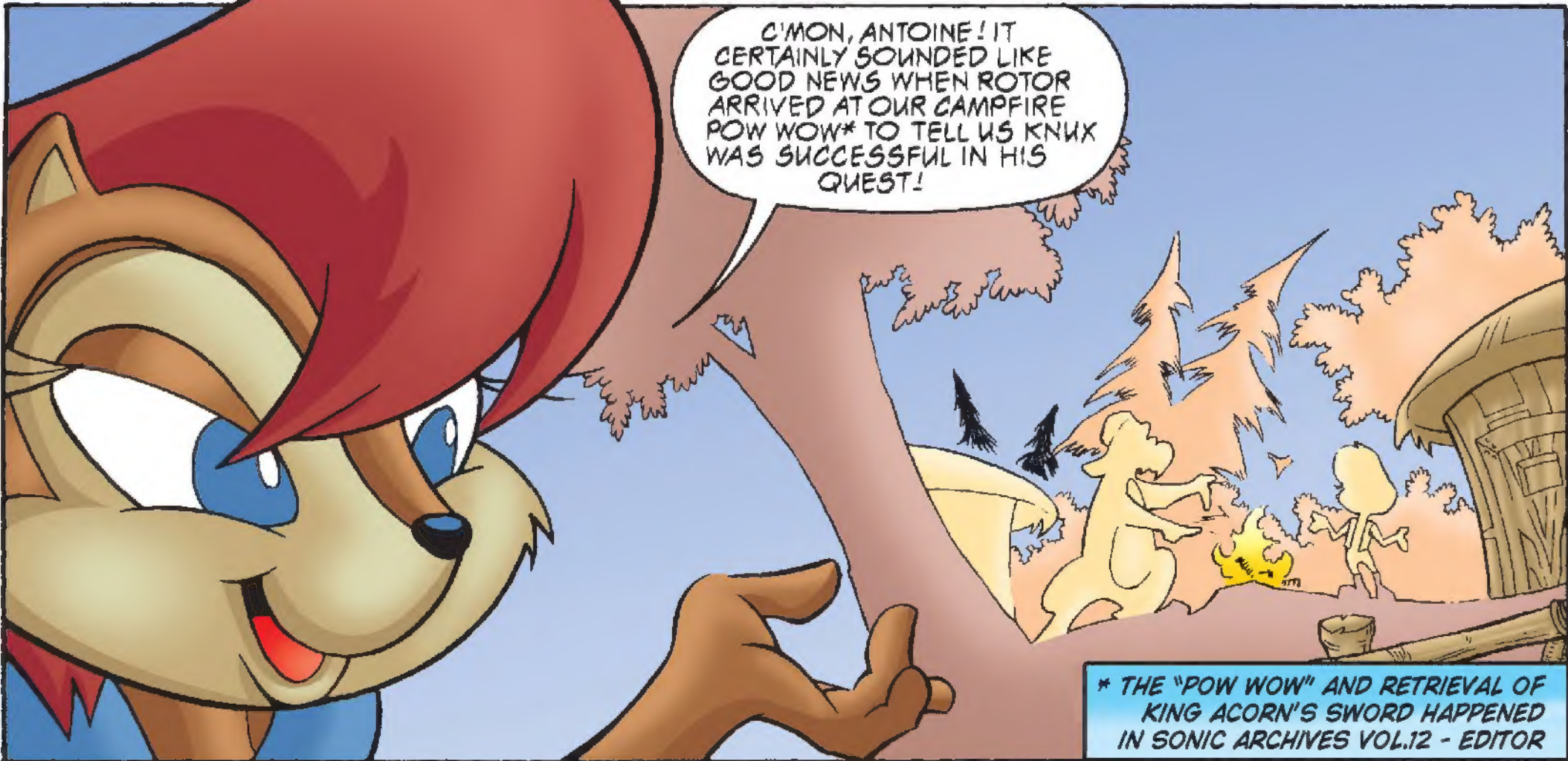
SPAZ  
HAR/O



**E**VER AN AWESOME SIGHT TO BEHOLD, THE GRAND SPECTACLE THAT IS THE FLOATING ISLAND ALWAYS SPARKS AWE, EVEN IN MINDS HEAVY WITH DOUBTS OF FUTURE EXISTENCE...

STILL, TODAY'S JOURNEY, FILLED WITH PROMISE OF NEW PROSPERITY FOR THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS, IS NEVERTHELESS LADEN WITH ANXIETY AS IT WAS INITIATED BY A DISTRESS CALL...

Hmm... I WONDER... WE'LL WE HAVE ZEE TRIUMPH OR ZEE DOOM WHEN WE ONCE AGAIN VISIT KNUCKLES' HOME?



C'MON, ANTOINE! IT CERTAINLY SOUNDED LIKE GOOD NEWS WHEN ROTOR ARRIVED AT OUR CAMPFIRE POW WOW\* TO TELL US KNUX WAS SUCCESSFUL IN HIS QUEST!

\* THE "POW WOW" AND RETRIEVAL OF KING ACORN'S SWORD HAPPENED IN SONIC ARCHIVES VOL.12 - EDITOR



UNFORTUNATELY, KNUX'S RADIOED MESSAGE ALSO SAID THE ISLAND WAS UNDER SIEGE...



...AND AFTER ALL HE'S DONE FOR US, THE LEAST WE OWE HIM IS A LITTLE SUPPORT!

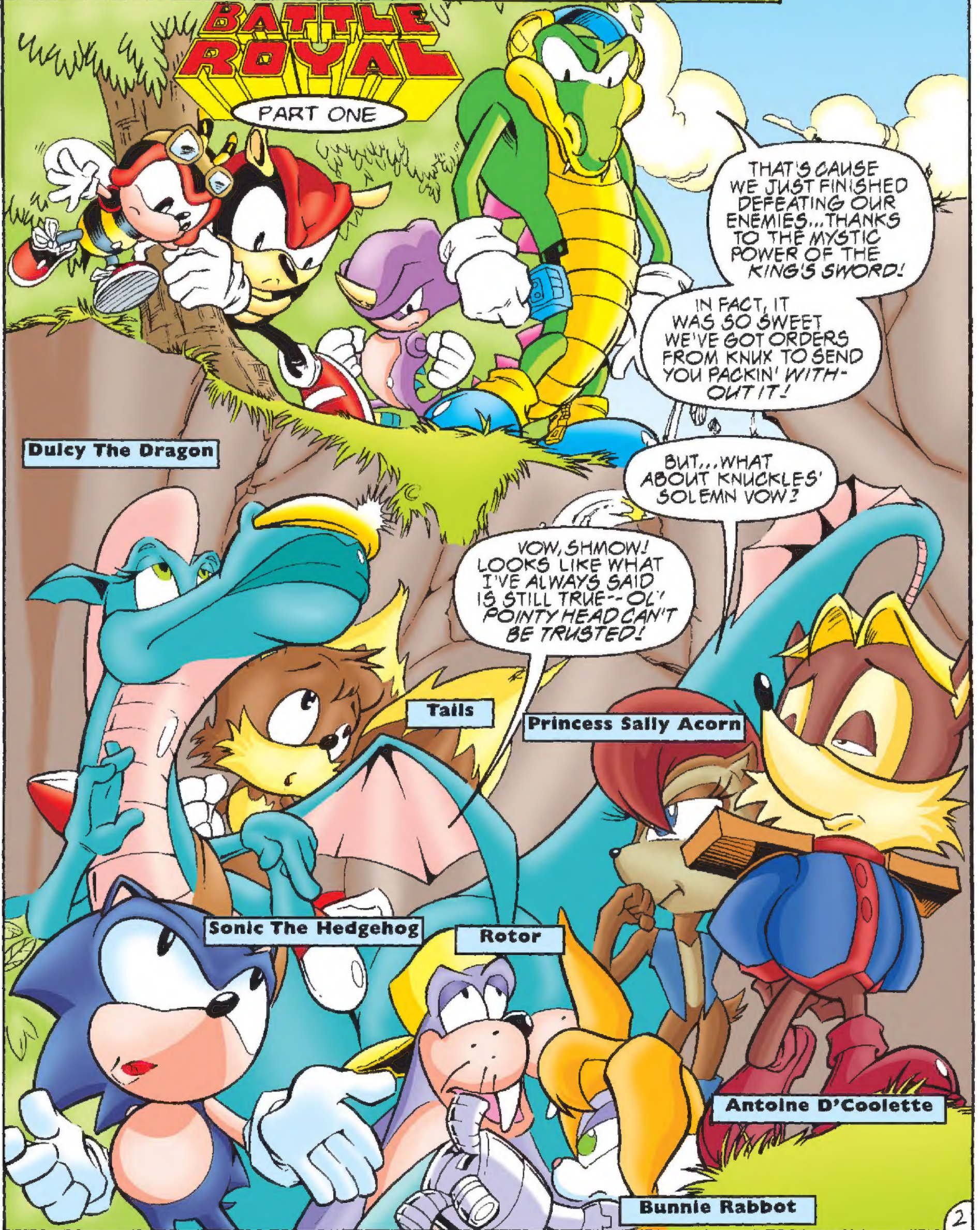


BUT AFTER A LONG AND SEEMINGLY FRUITLESS EXPEDITION...

HOW COME THERE'S NO SIGN OF KNUX OR A BATTLE?

# BATTLE ROYAL

PART ONE



THAT'S CAUSE WE JUST FINISHED DEFEATING OUR ENEMIES... THANKS TO THE MYSTIC POWER OF THE KING'S SWORD!

IN FACT, IT WAS SO SWEET WE'VE GOT ORDERS FROM KNUX TO SEND YOU PACKIN' WITHOUT IT!

BUT... WHAT ABOUT KNUCKLES' SOLEMN VOW?

VOW, SHMOW! LOOKS LIKE WHAT I'VE ALWAYS SAID IS STILL TRUE-- OL' POINTY HEAD CAN'T BE TRUSTED!

Dulcy The Dragon

Tails

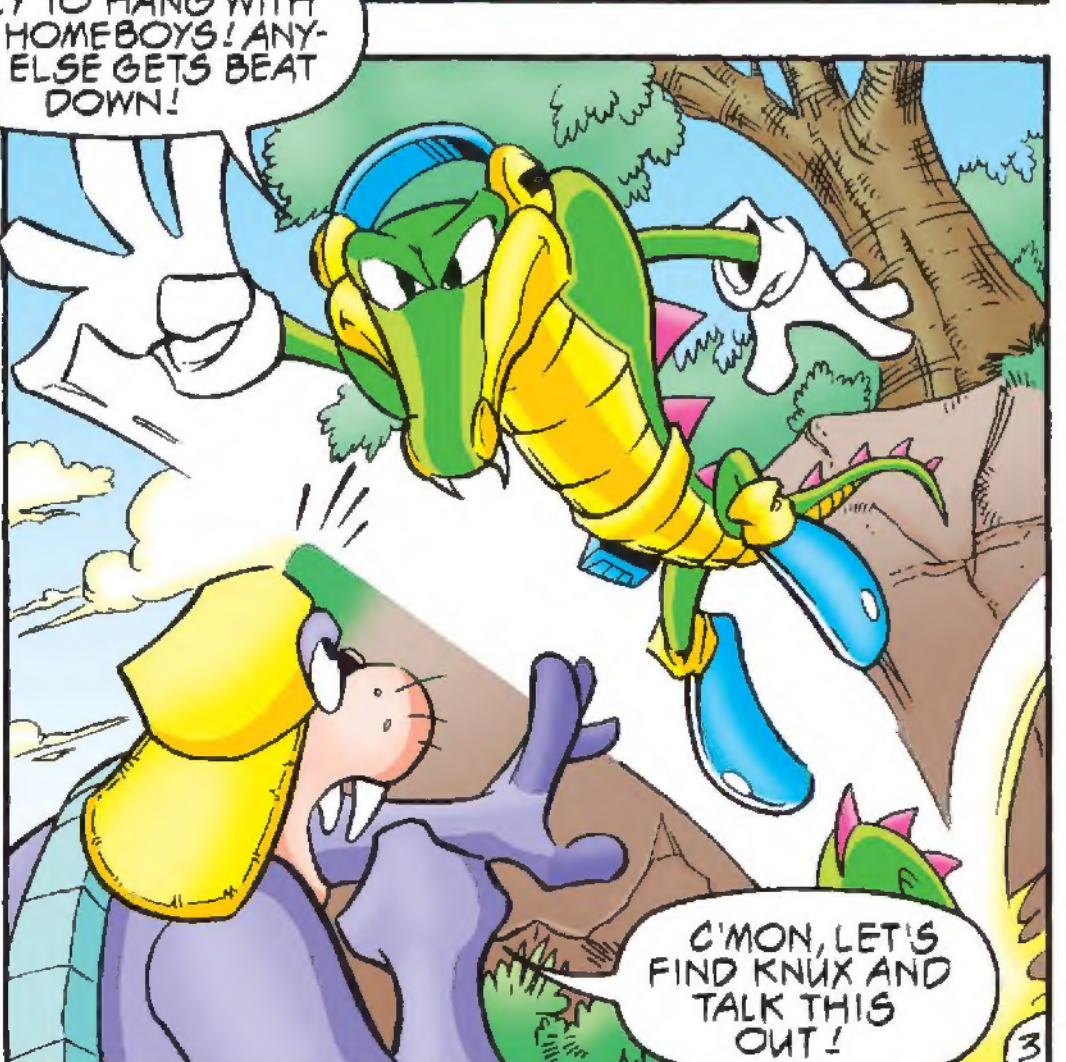
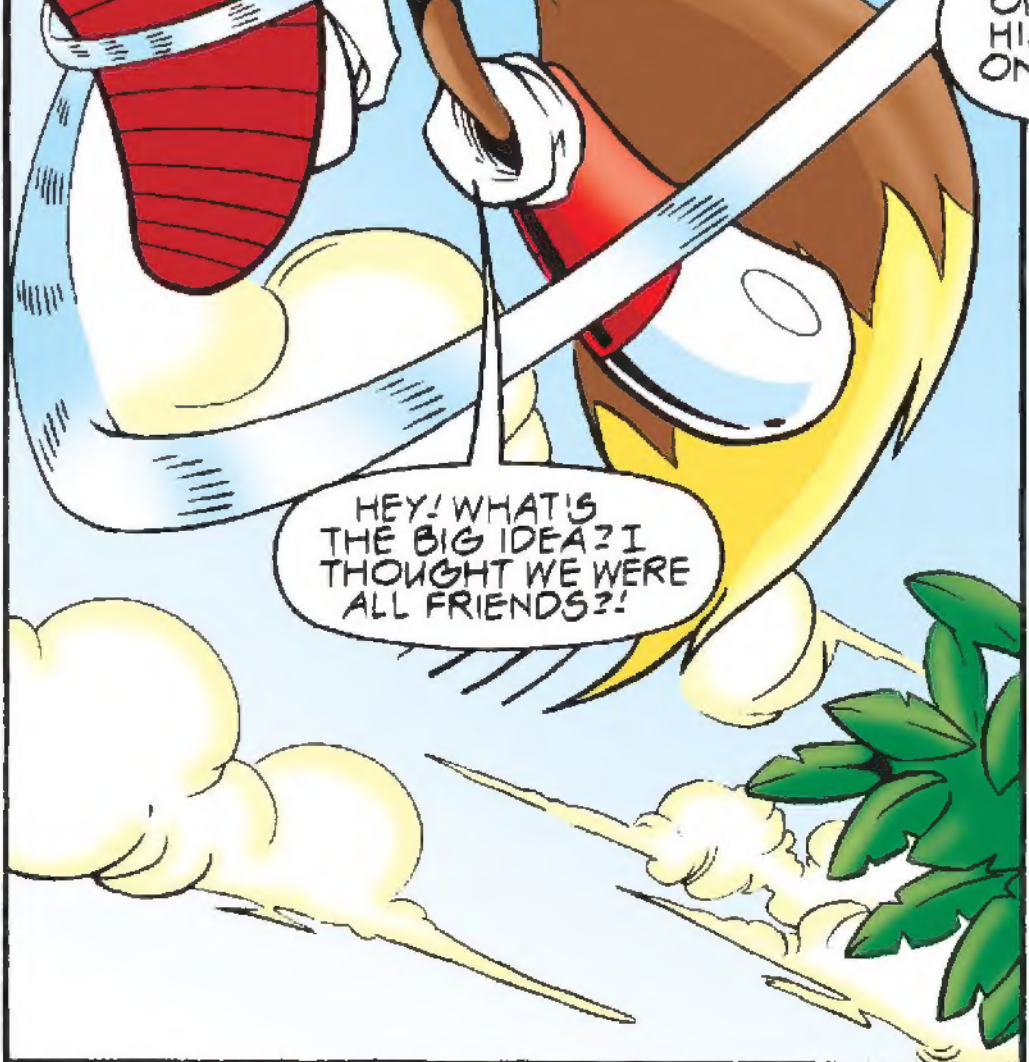
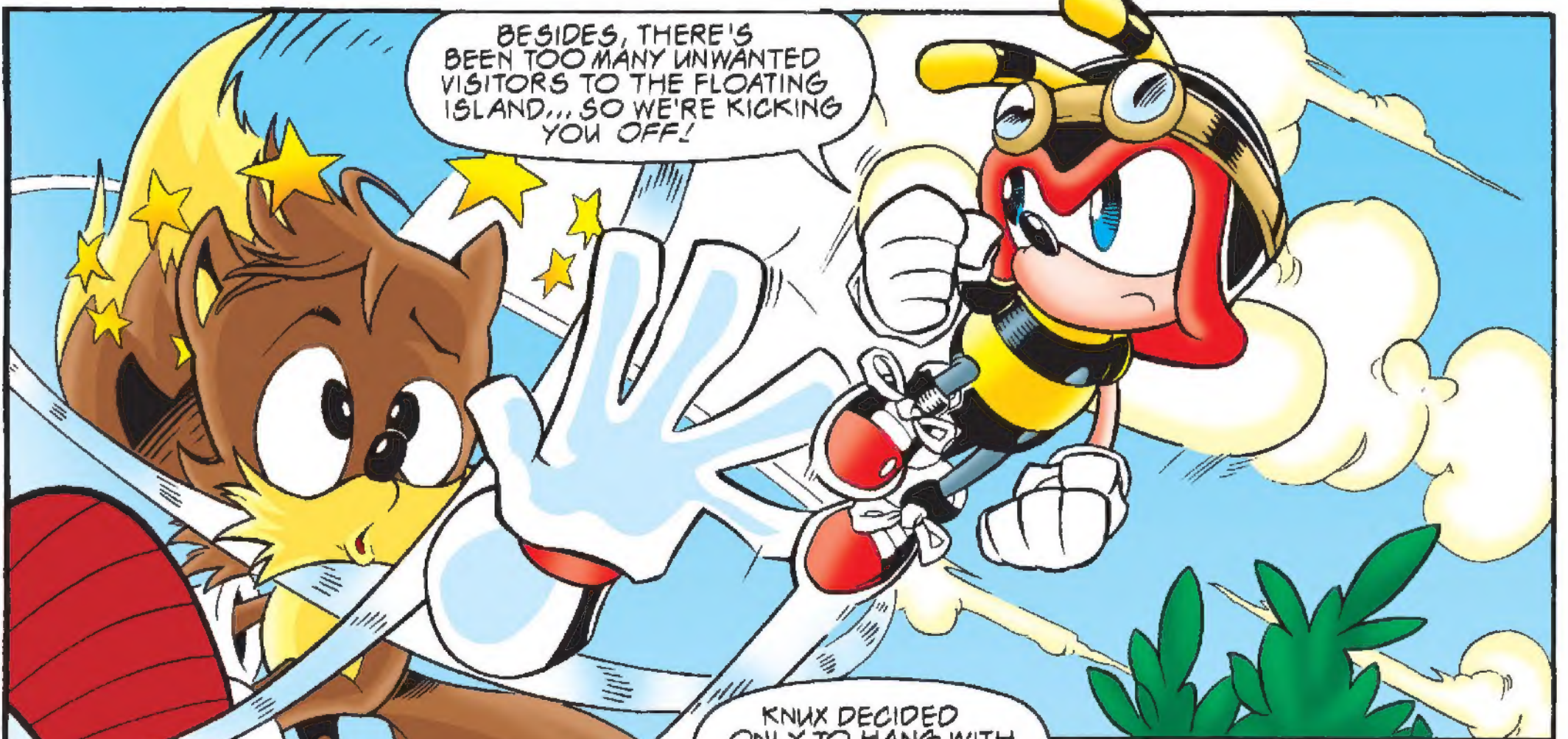
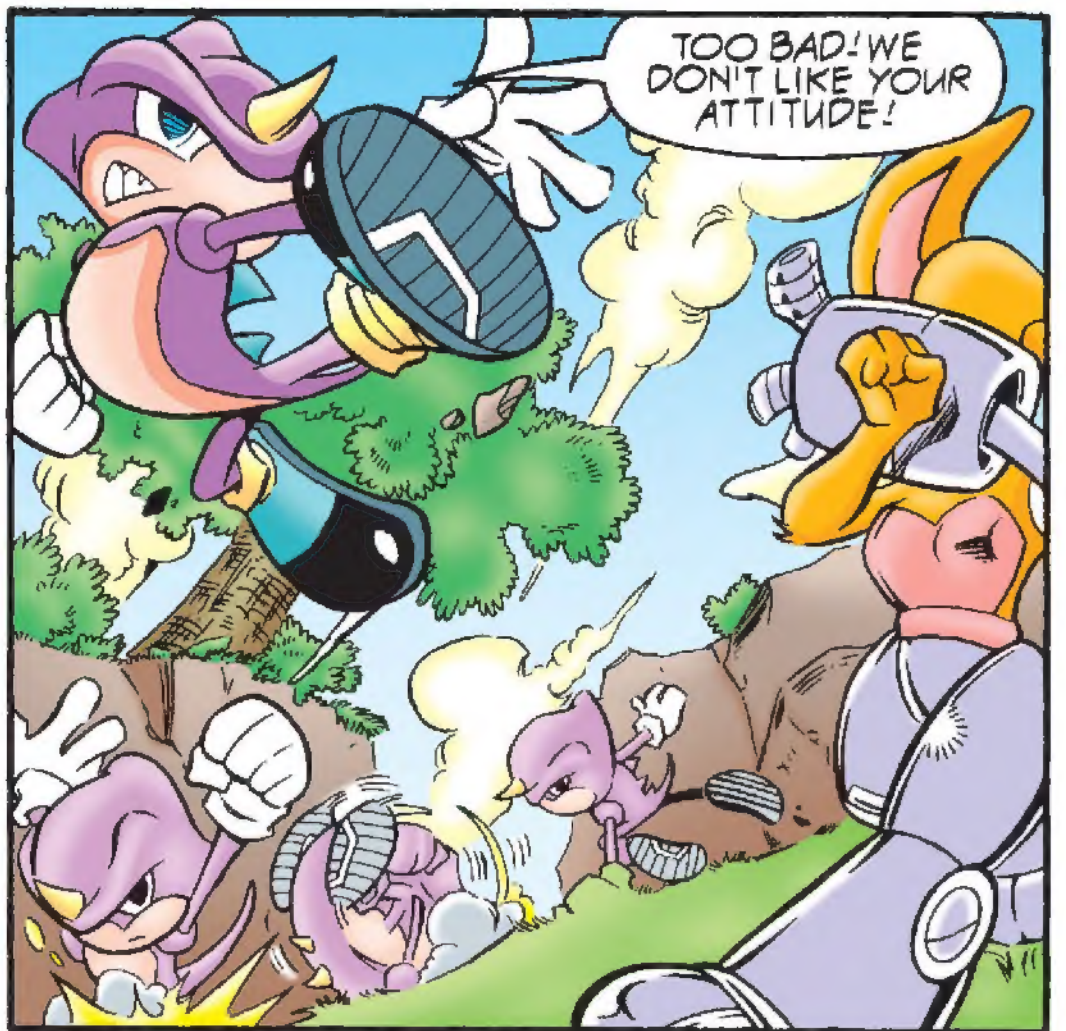
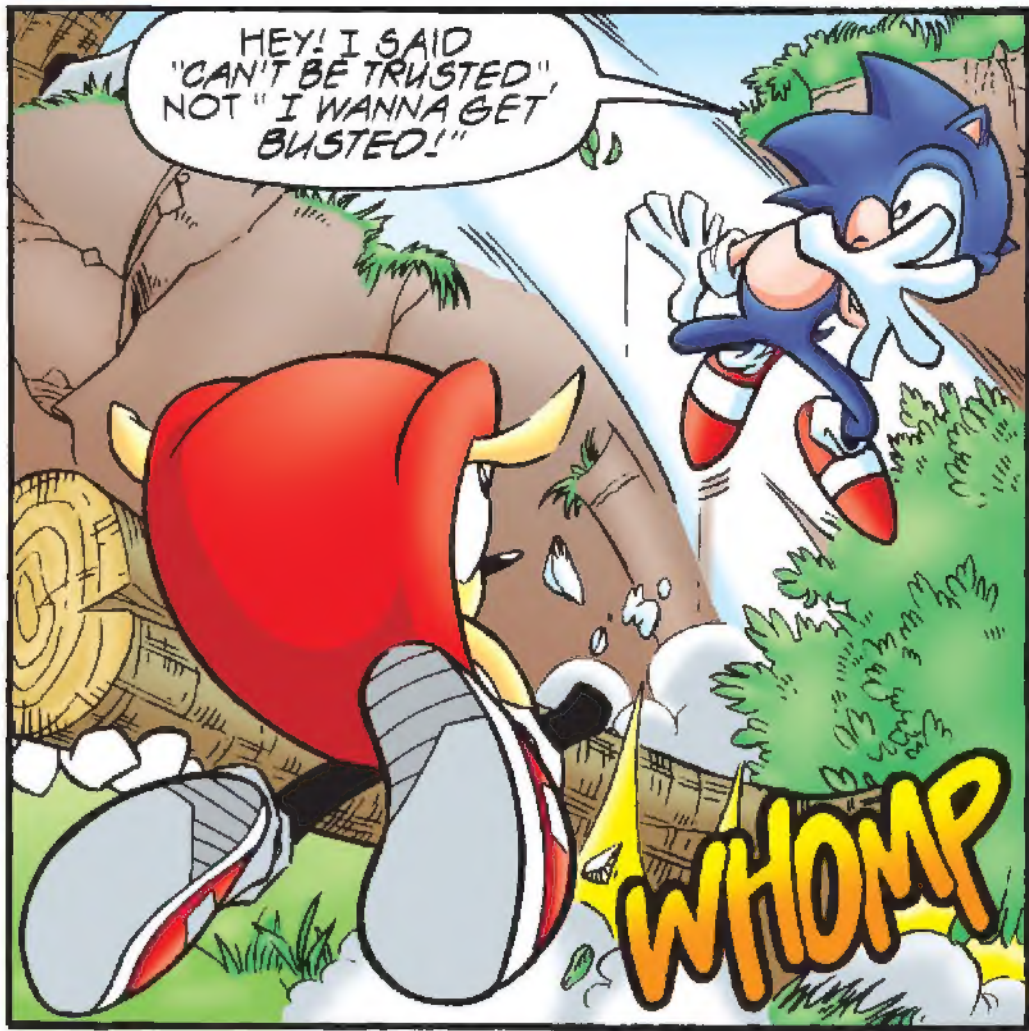
Princess Sally Acorn

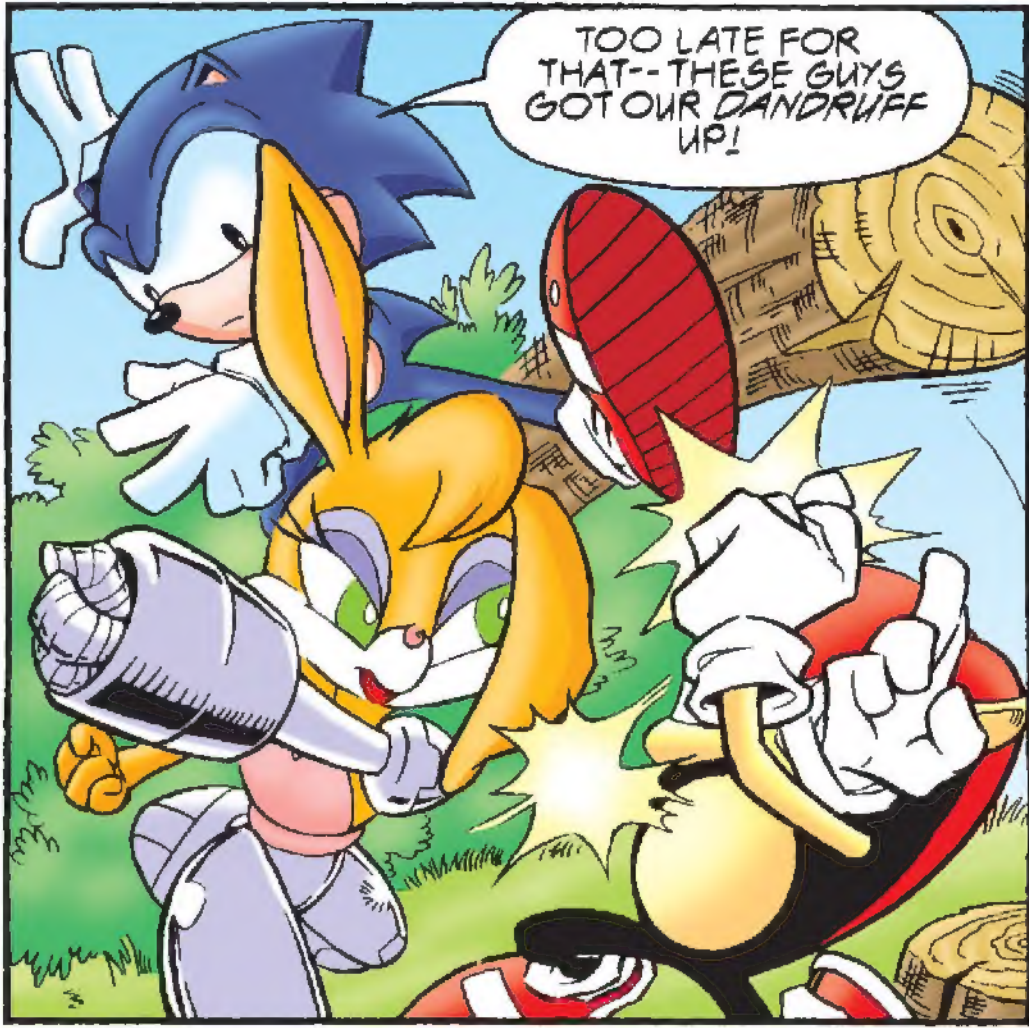
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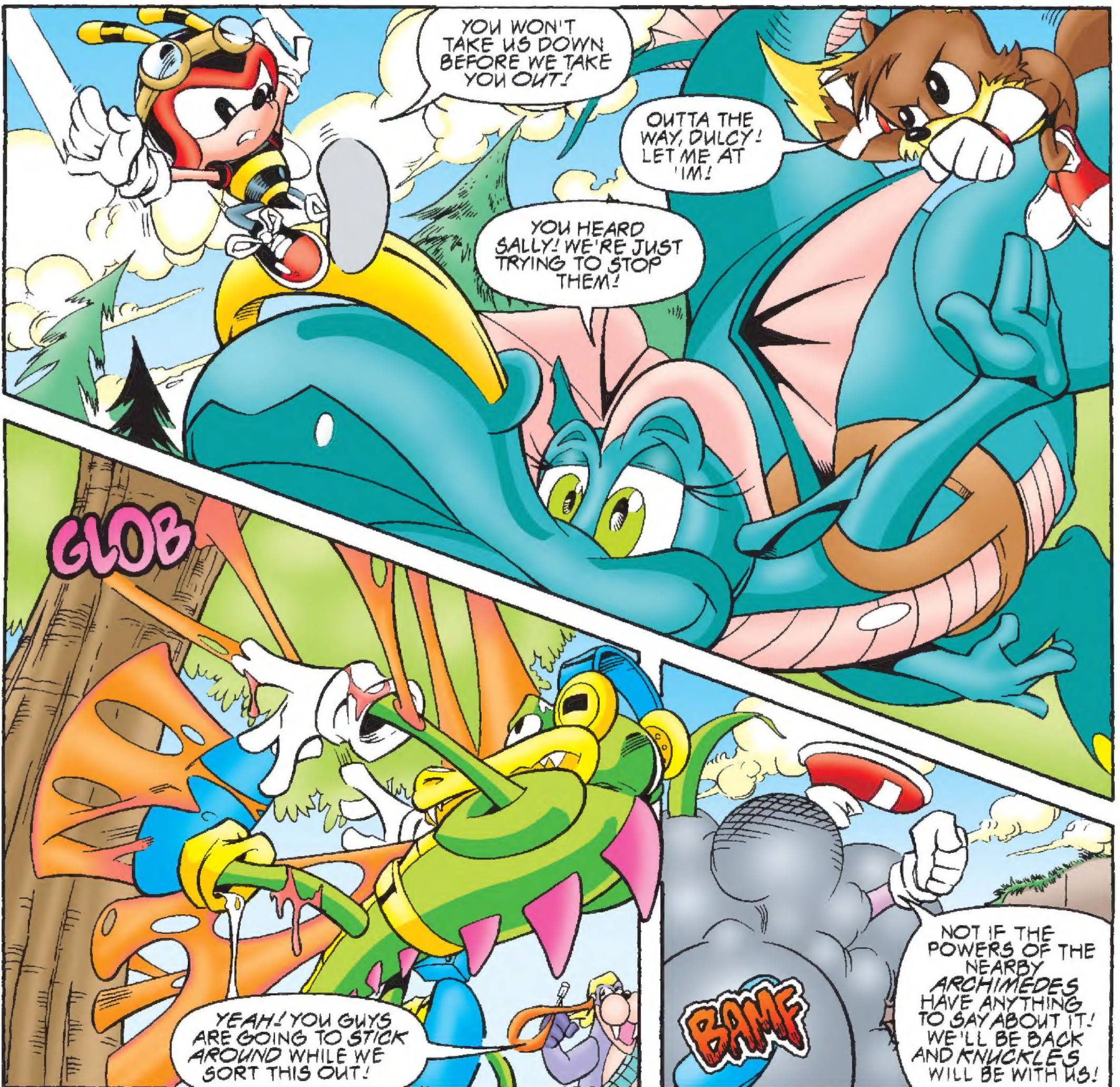




TOO LATE FOR THAT-- THESE GUYS GOT OUR DANDRUFF UP!



COOL DOWN, SONIC! TAKE THEM DOWN-- BUT WITH MINIMUM FORCE!



YOU WON'T TAKE US DOWN BEFORE WE TAKE YOU OUT!

OUTTA THE WAY, DULCY! LET ME AT 'IM!

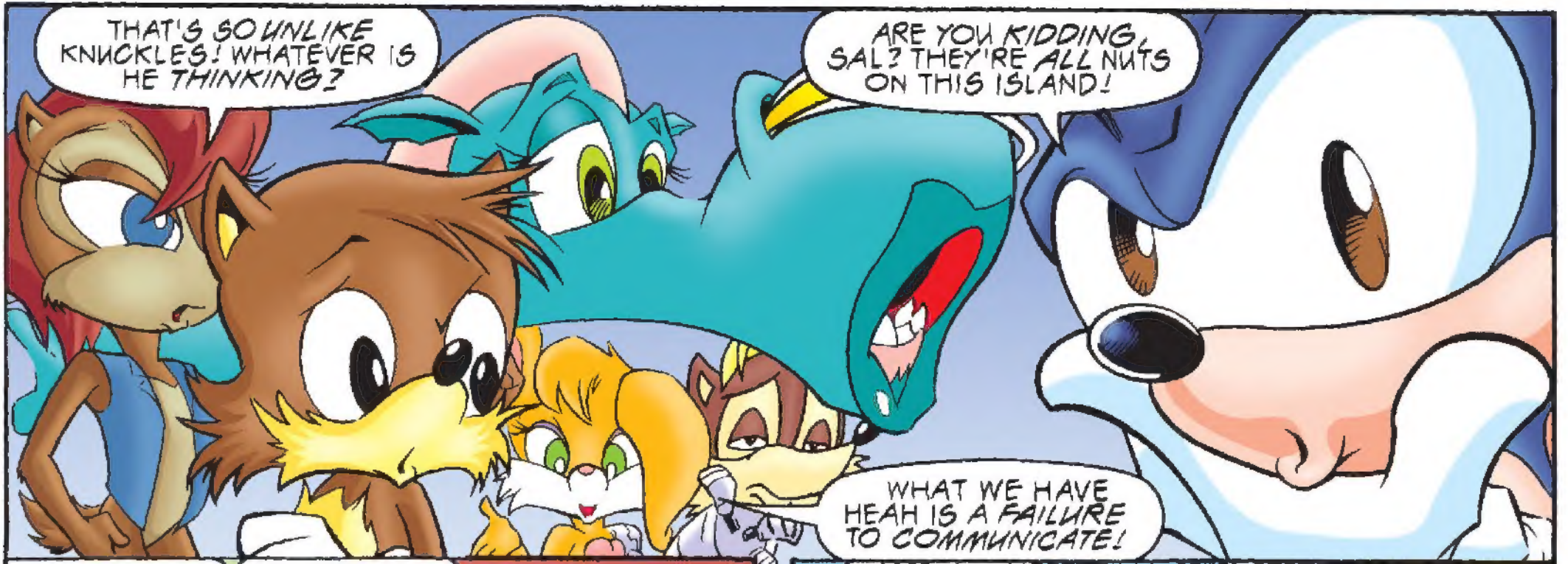
YOU HEARD SALLY! WE'RE JUST TRYING TO STOP THEM!

GLOB

BAMF

YEAH! YOU GUYS ARE GOING TO STICK AROUND WHILE WE SORT THIS OUT!

NOT IF THE POWERS OF THE NEARBY ARCHIMEDES HAVE ANYTHING TO SAY ABOUT IT! WE'LL BE BACK AND KNUCKLES WILL BE WITH US!



THAT'S SO UNLIKE KNUCKLES! WHATEVER IS HE THINKING?

ARE YOU KIDDING, SAL? THEY'RE ALL NUTS ON THIS ISLAND!

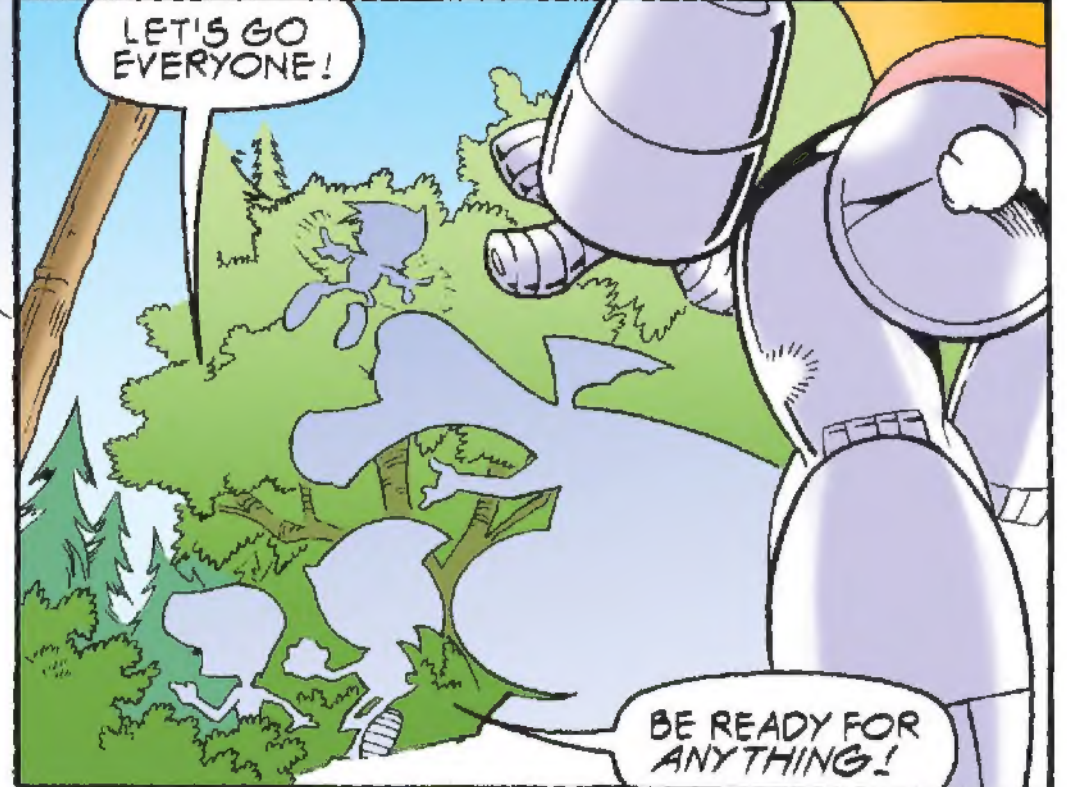
WHAT WE HAVE HEAH IS A FAILURE TO COMMUNICATE!



SOMETHING'S NOT RIGHT HERE--

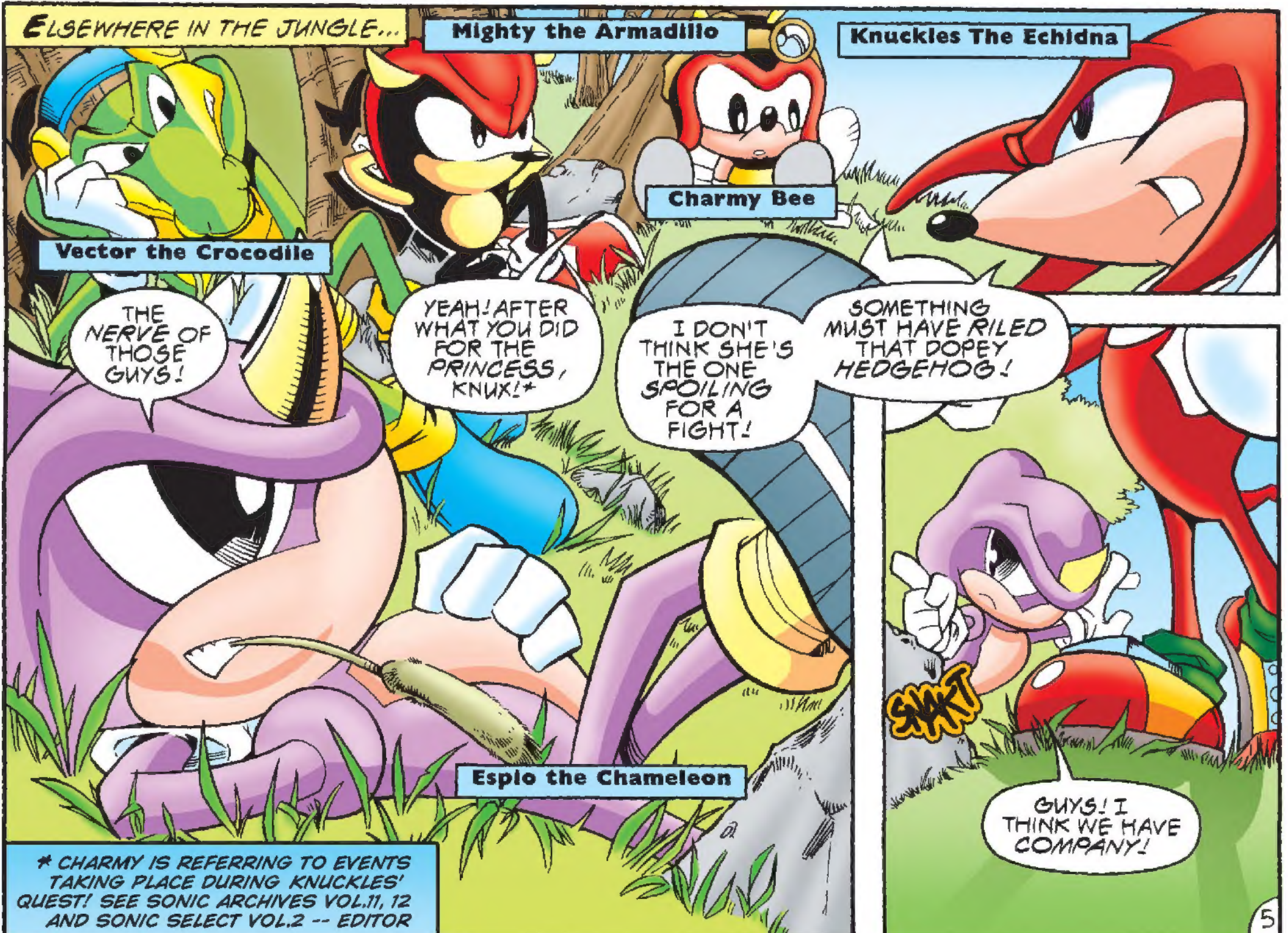
--AND WE'RE NOT LEAVING UNTIL WE FIND OUT WHAT--

--AND MOST CERTAINLY NOT WITHOUT THE SWORD!



LET'S GO EVERYONE!

BE READY FOR ANYTHING!



ELSEWHERE IN THE JUNGLE...

Mighty the Armadillo

Knuckles The Echidna

Charmy Bee

Vector the Crocodile

Espio the Chameleon

THE NERVE OF THOSE GUYS!

YEAH! AFTER WHAT YOU DID FOR THE PRINCESS, KNUX!\*

I DON'T THINK SHE'S THE ONE SPOILING FOR A FIGHT!

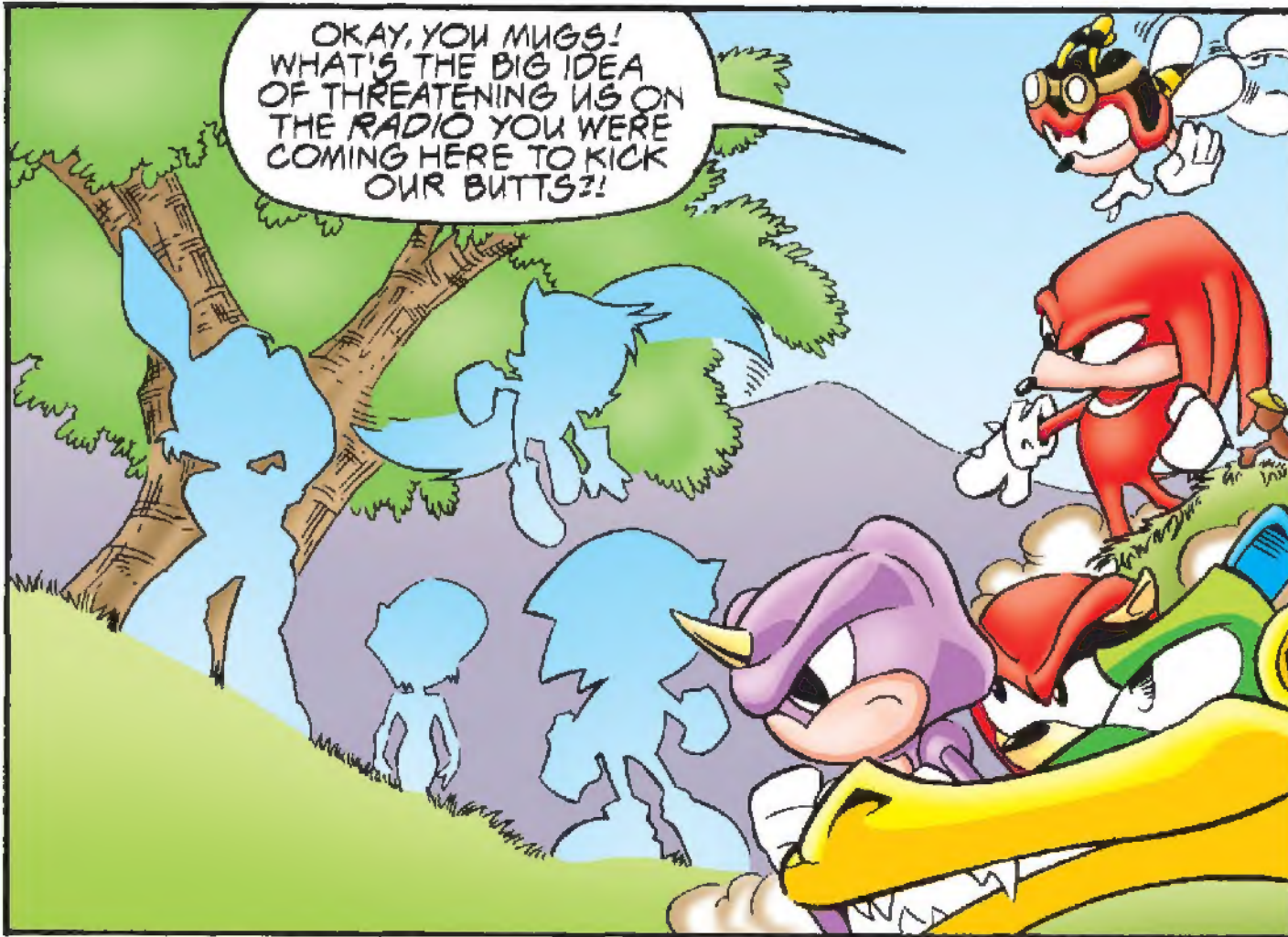
SOMETHING MUST HAVE RILED THAT DOPEY HEDGEHOG!

SNKT

GUYS! I THINK WE HAVE COMPANY!

\* CHARMY IS REFERRING TO EVENTS TAKING PLACE DURING KNUCKLES' QUEST! SEE SONIC ARCHIVES VOL.11, 12 AND SONIC SELECT VOL.2 -- EDITOR

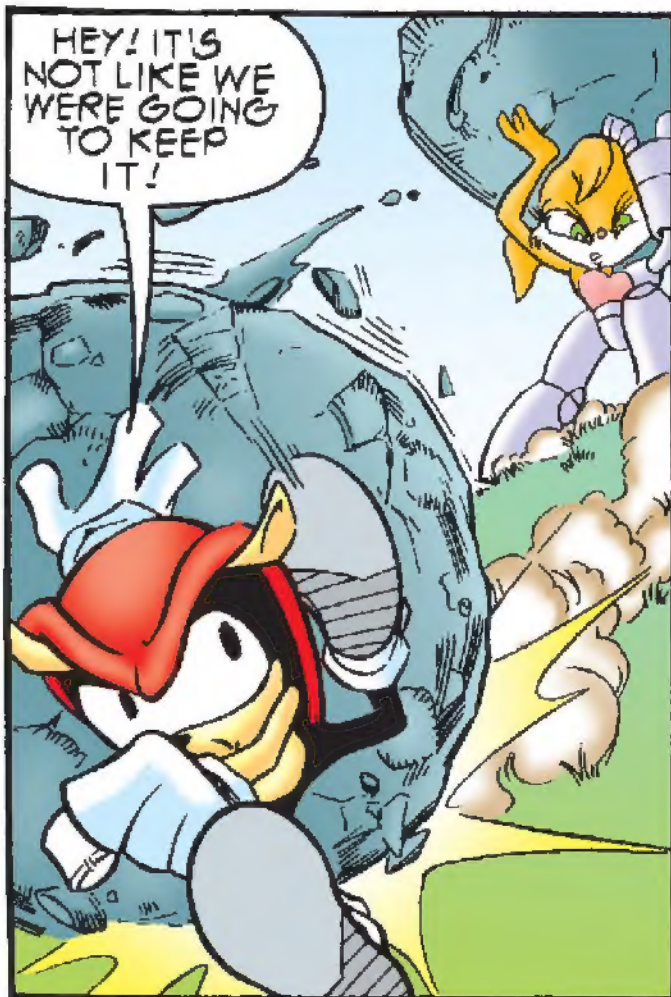




OKAY, YOU MUGS!  
WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA  
OF THREATENING US ON  
THE RADIO YOU WERE  
COMING HERE TO KICK  
OUR BUTTS?!



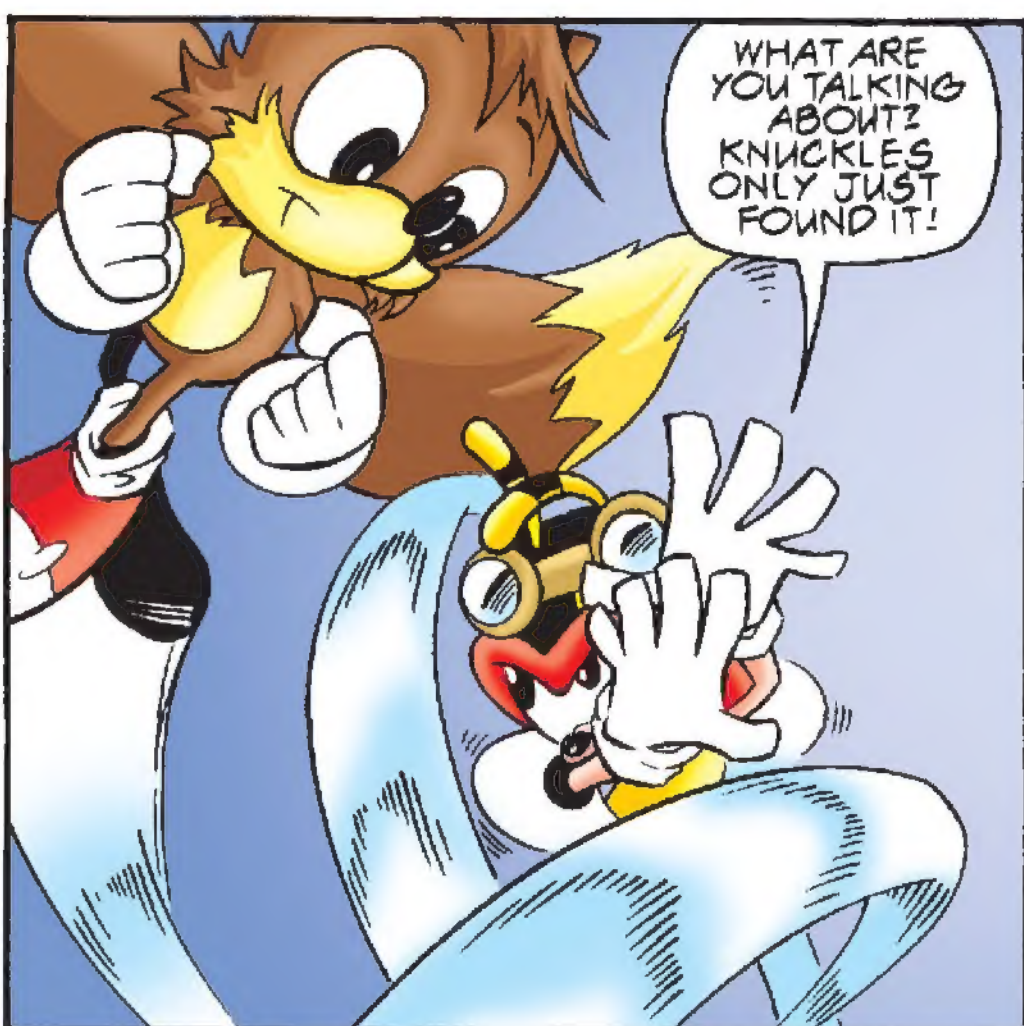
WE TOLD YOU--  
YOU TOOK TOO LONG  
TO RETURN THE KING'S  
SWORD, AND NOW  
YOU'RE GONNA PAY!



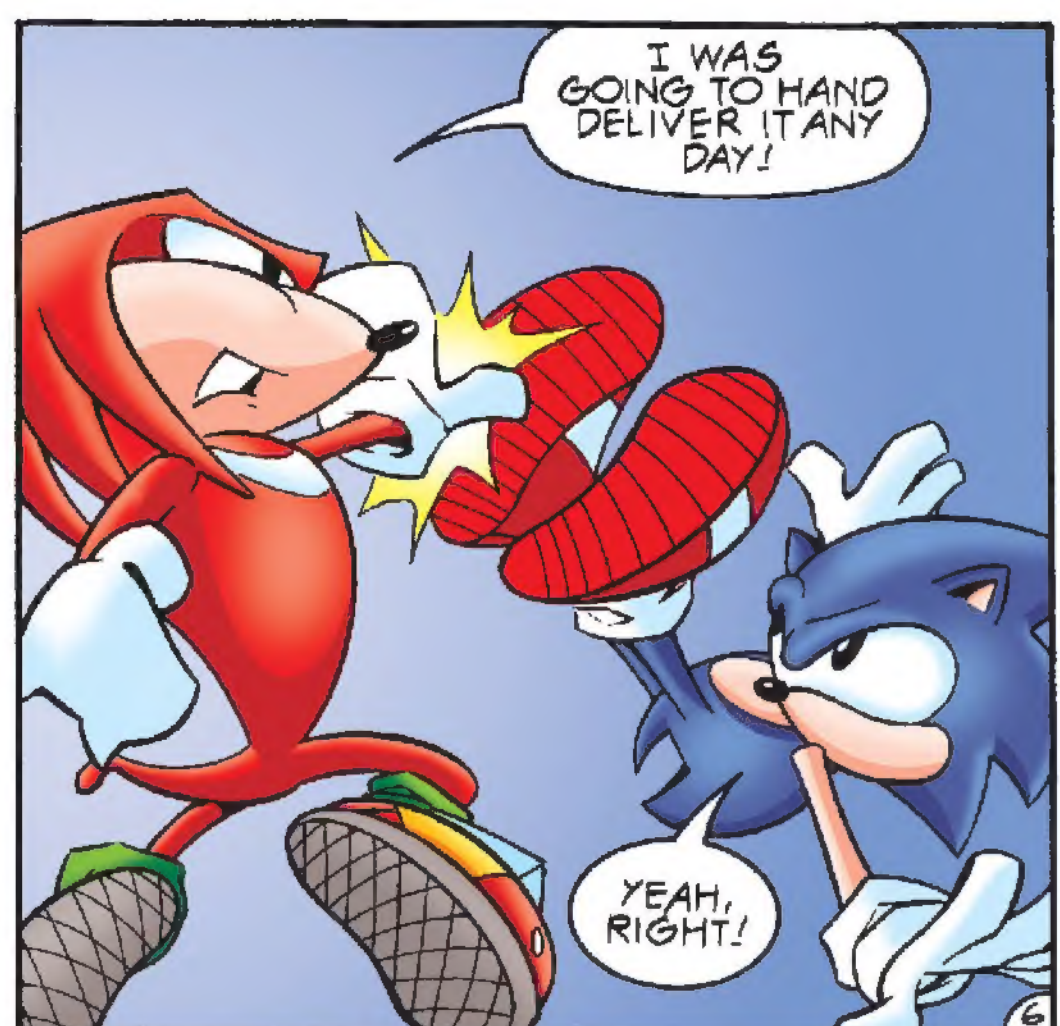
HEY! IT'S  
NOT LIKE WE  
WERE GOING  
TO KEEP  
IT!



IF THAT'S SO,  
WHY HAVE YOU KEPT  
POSSESSION OF IT  
FOR OVER A  
MONTH?

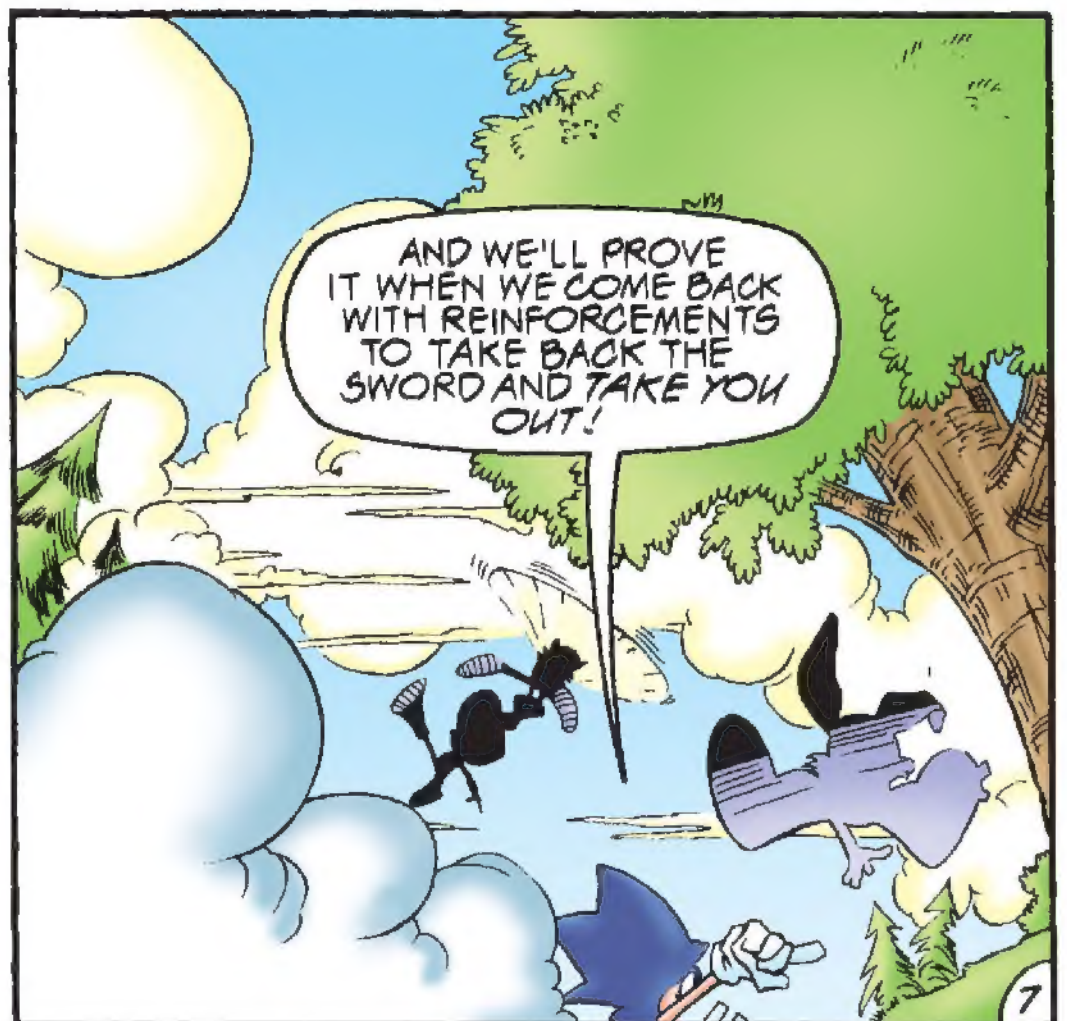


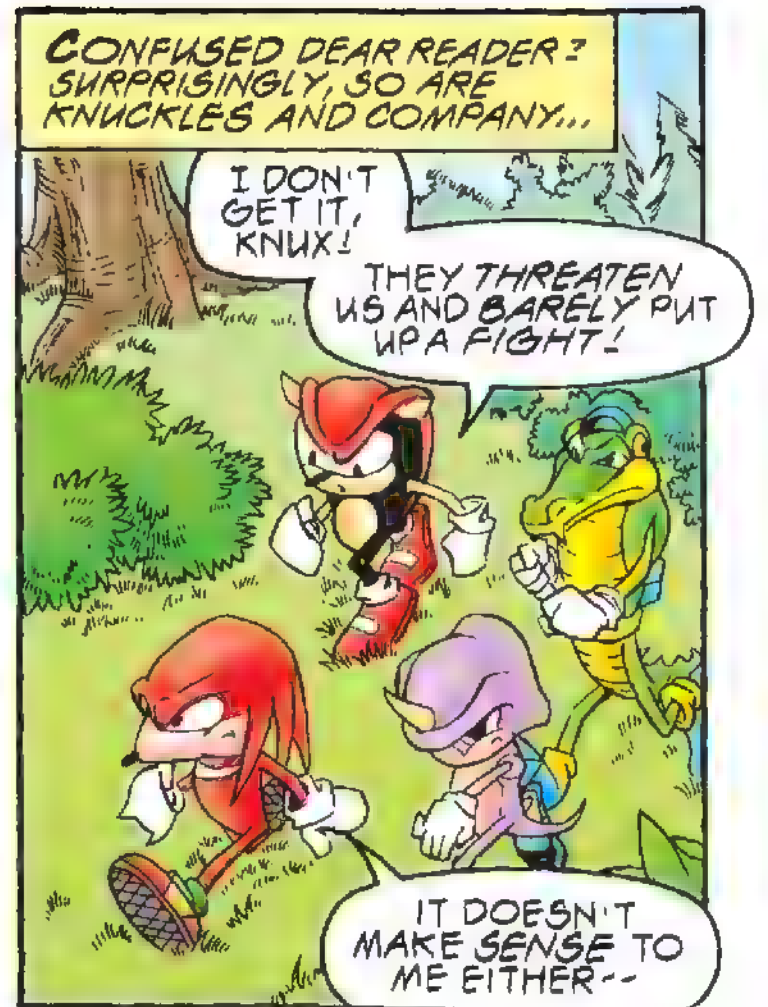
WHAT ARE  
YOU TALKING  
ABOUT?  
KNUCKLES  
ONLY JUST  
FOUND IT!



I WAS  
GOING TO HAND  
DELIVER IT ANY  
DAY!

YEAH,  
RIGHT!

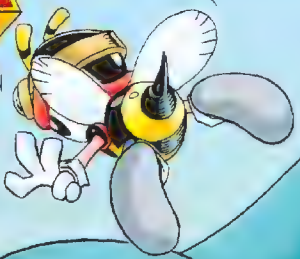




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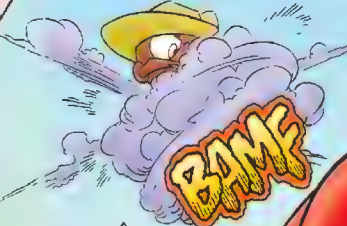
PART TWO

THIS IS IT, YOU FINKS!



I CAN SEE BOYS WILL BE BOYS!

THIS CALLS FOR SANEER HEADS!



IF THERE'S ONE THING I REALLY HATE--

--IT'S CHISELERS WHO GO BACK ON THEIR WORD!

YOU'VE LOST IT! YOU'VE TOTALLY LOST IT!

EITHER THAT-- OR YOU'VE ONE BIG DEATH WISH!



SONIC! WAIT!

OH, THIS IS HOPELESS!

YOU CAN'T KICK US FREEDOM FIGHTERS AROUND AND GET AWAY WITH IT!



YO, BOY! YOU BE THE ONE WHO DISSED US FIRST!



THIS IS PATHETIC!

G'WAN BACK TO YOUR PLAYPEN, KID!

WHO ARE YOU CALLING "KID"?!?

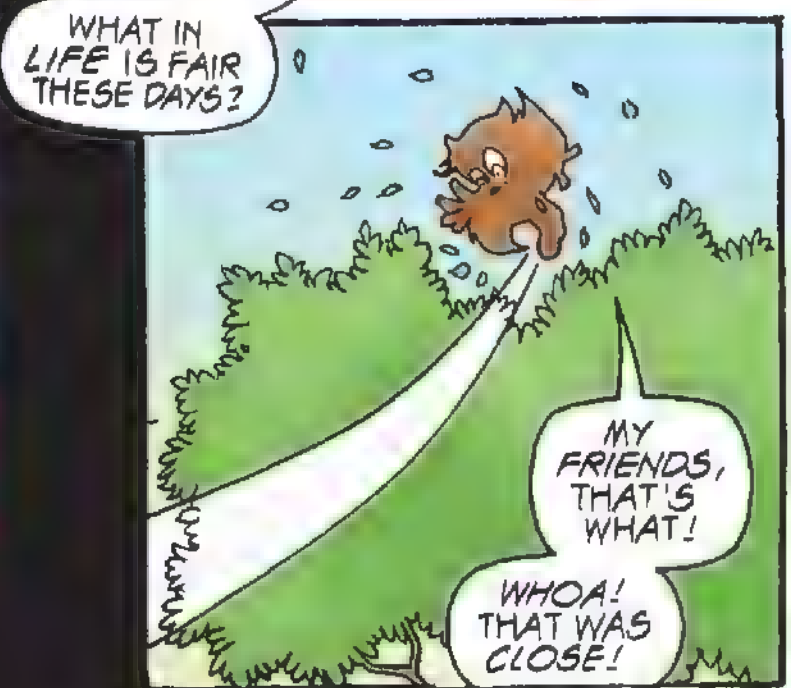
IF IT'S ALL THE SAME TO YOU BOYS, AH'D RATHAH MAKE LOVE, NOT WAR!

SEEMS TO ME YOU'VE A FUNNY WAY OF SHOWING IT!



HEY! NO FAIR! HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO SEE YOU?

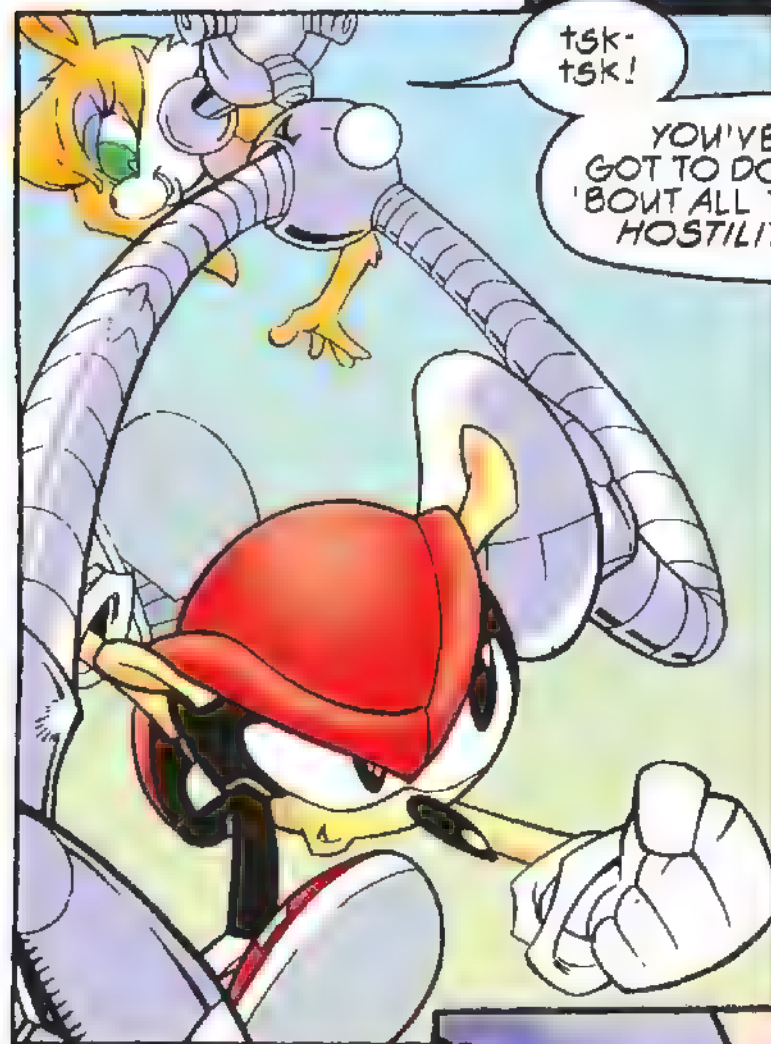
GET REAL!



WHAT IN LIFE IS FAIR THESE DAYS?

MY FRIENDS, THAT'S WHAT!

WHOA! THAT WAS CLOSE!



tsk-tsk!

YOU'VE REALLY GOT TO DO SOMETHIN' 'BOUT ALL THAT PENT-UP HOSTILITY, SUH-GAH!

TAILS AND BUNNIE MIGHT HAVE THEIR OWN SPECIAL ABILITIES--



--BUT I'M NOT WITHOUT MY OWN!

HERE'S SMOKE IN YOUR EYES, YOU CRAZY CROC!



YOU'VE SOME BRASS, SUCKA!

LET'S SEE YOUR SWERVE AFTER I'M DONE KICKIN' YOUR BUTTOCKS!

DIDN'T YOUR MOTHER EVER TELL YOU IT'S NOT POLITE TO POINT?



DON'T TELL ME THE BIG, BAD DRAGON IS SCARED OF L'IL OL' ME!



I CAN'T-- --LOOK!

WHAT THIS SITUATION NEEDS IS CALM, COOL THINKING, PRINCESS--



EVASIVE MANEUVERS!

PULL UP! PULL UP!

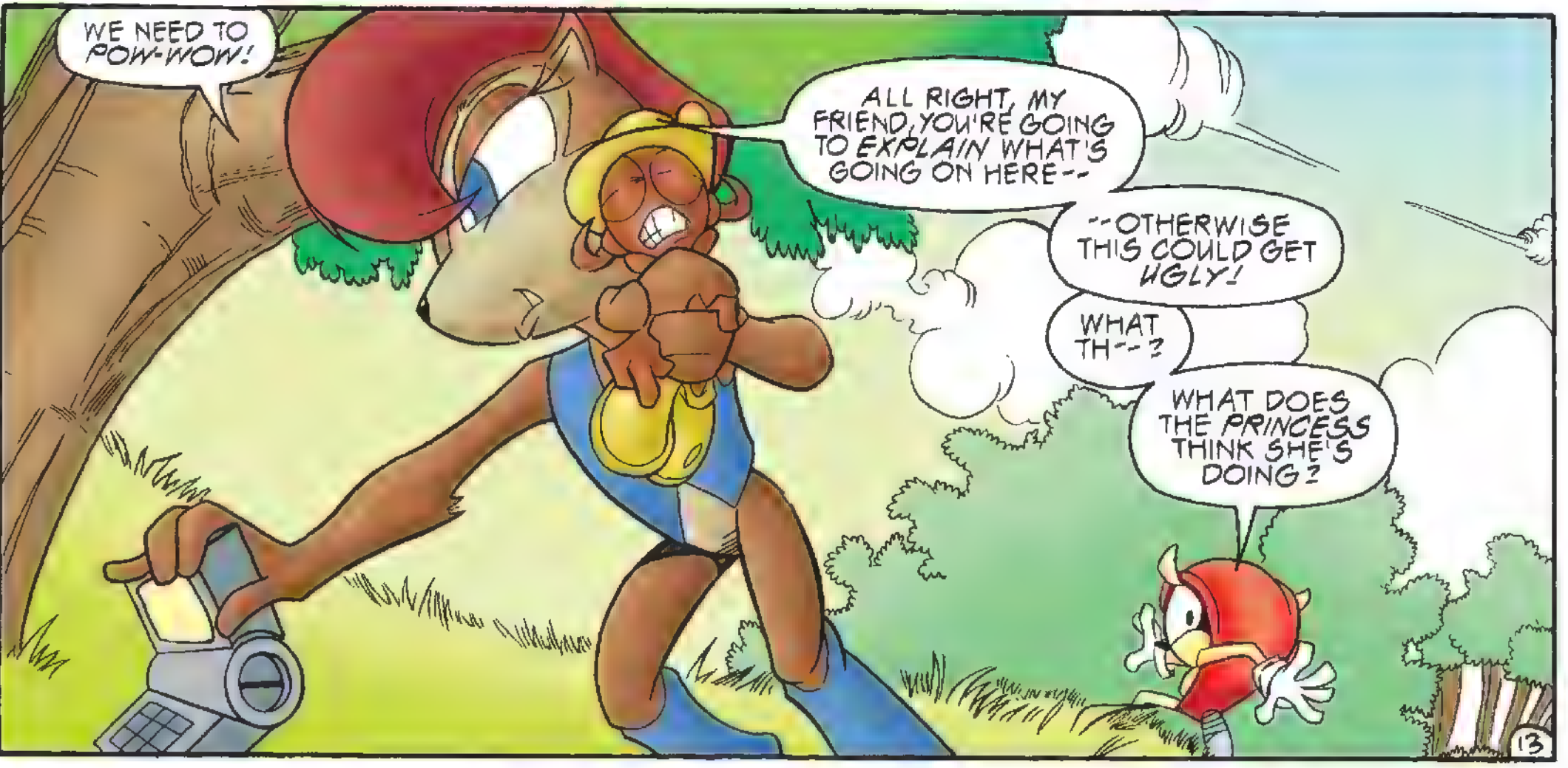
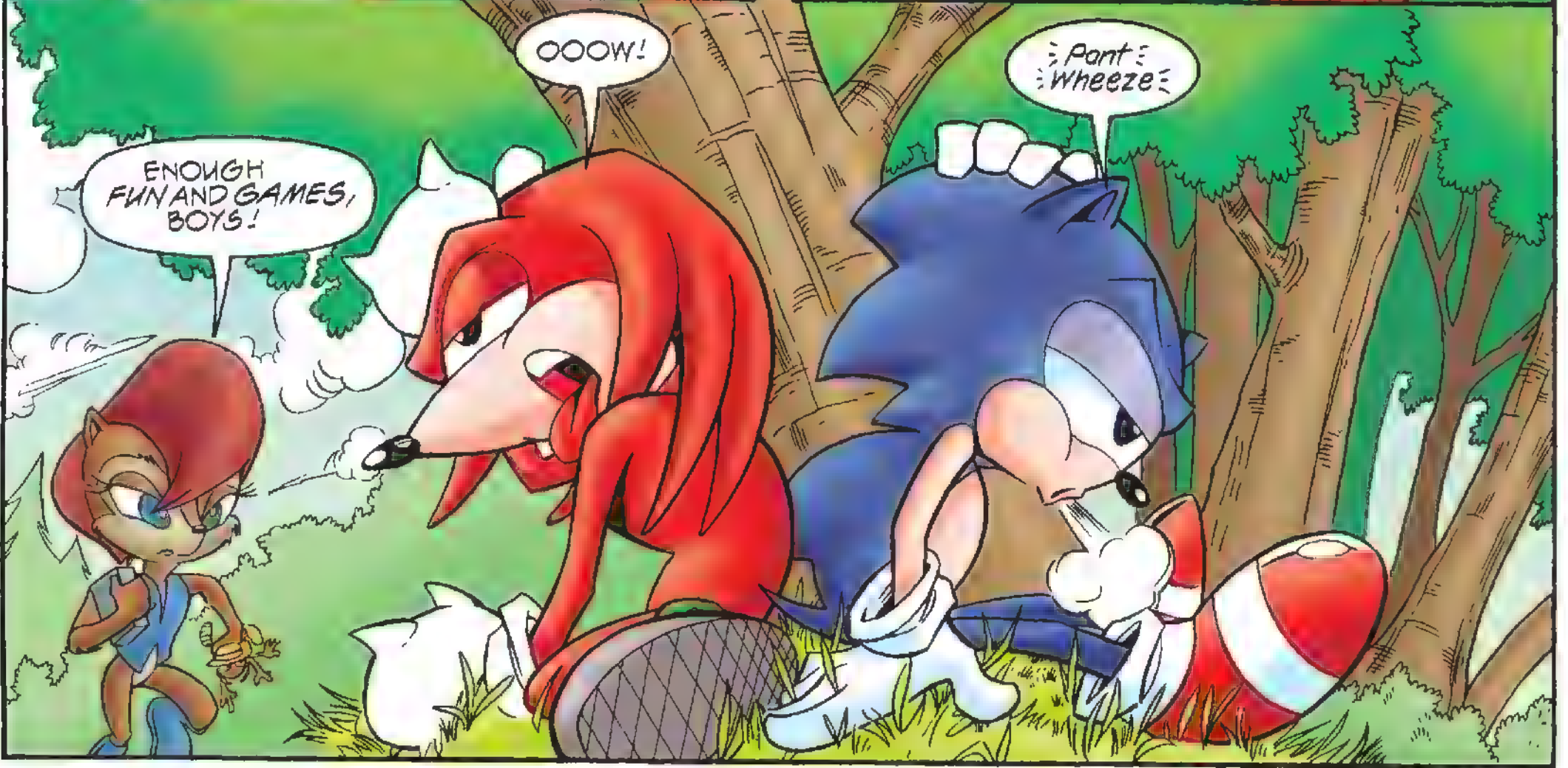
DULCY!

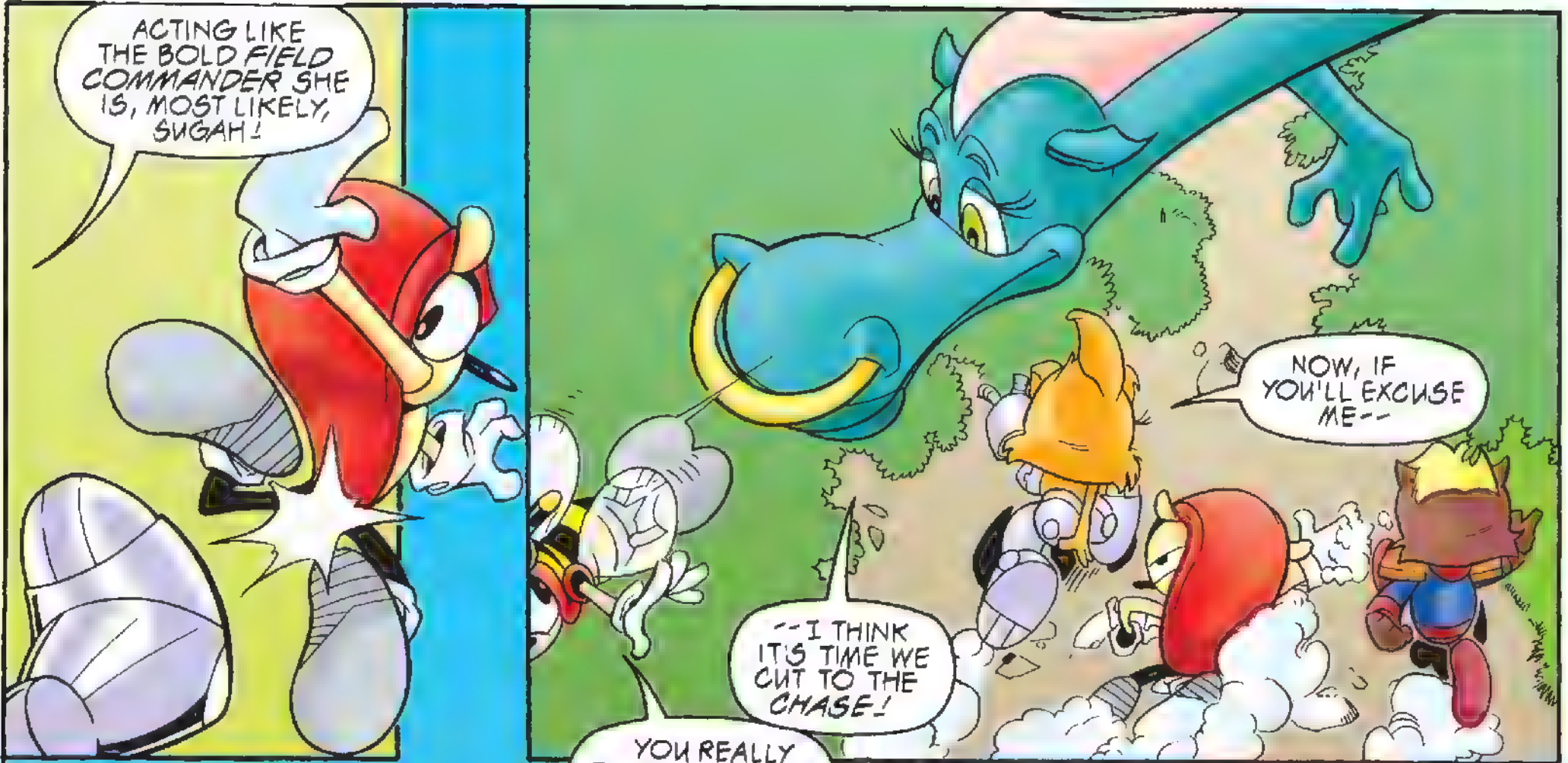


WHAK WHAK WHAK

-- WOULDNT YOU AGREE?

EASIER SAID THAN DONE WITH THOSE TWO!



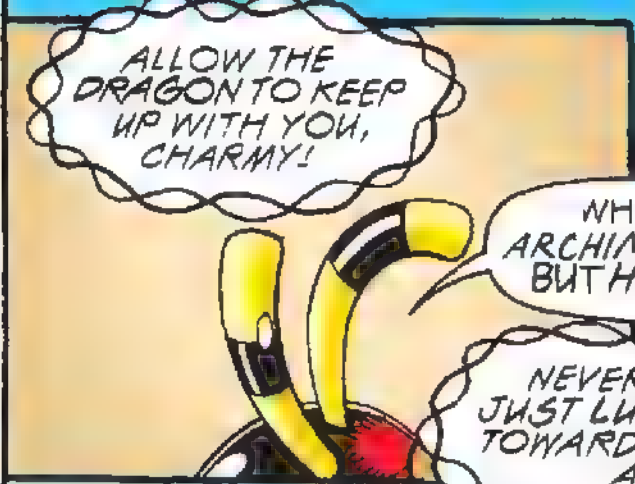


ACTING LIKE THE BOLD FIELD COMMANDER SHE IS, MOST LIKELY, SUGAH!

NOW, IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME--

--I THINK IT'S TIME WE CUT TO THE CHASE!

YOU REALLY THINK YOU CAN KEEP UP WITH ME?!



ALLOW THE DRAGON TO KEEP UP WITH YOU, CHARMY!

WHA--? ARCHIMEDES! BUT HOW?

NEVER MIND THAT! JUST LURE THE DRAGON TOWARDS THE PRINCESS AND I!



I HOPE THIS WORKS!

IF EVERYONE DOES AS THEY'RE TOLD, IT SHOULD!

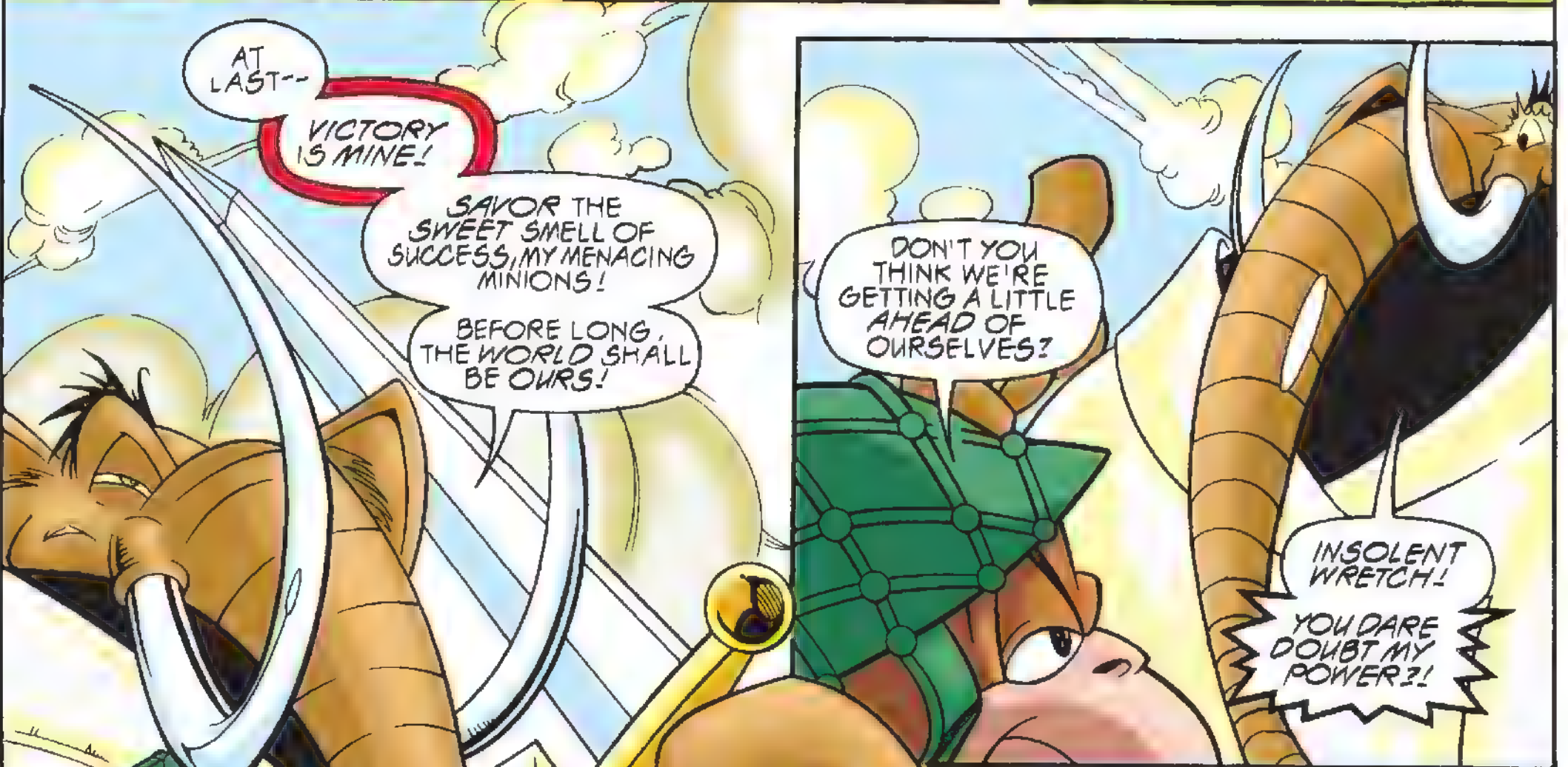
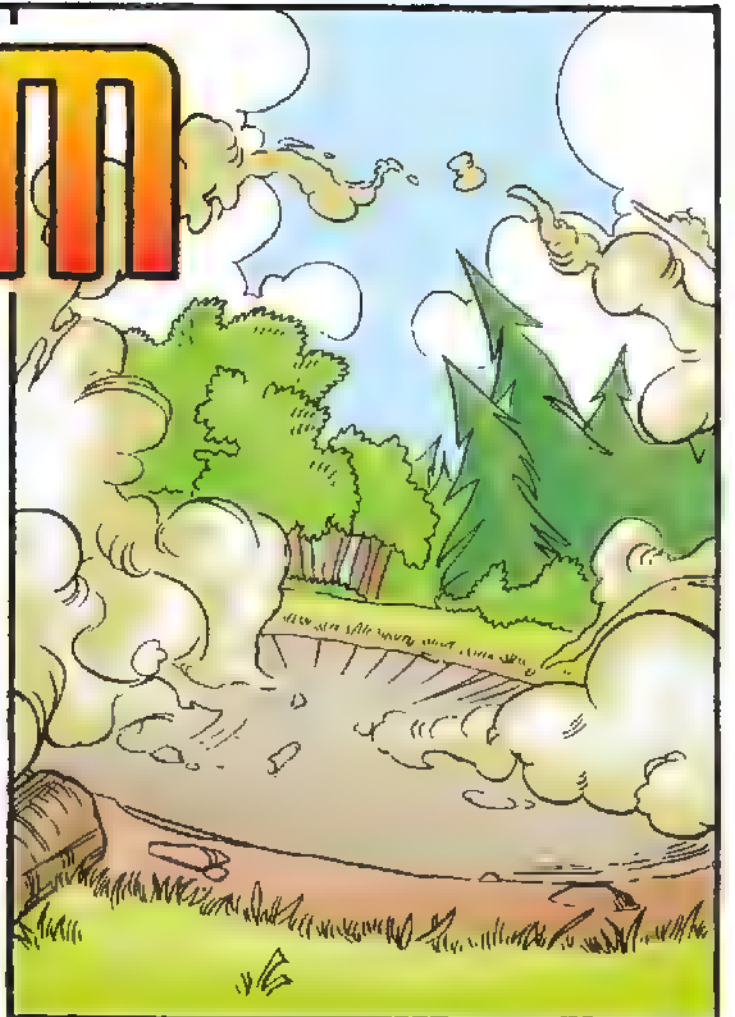
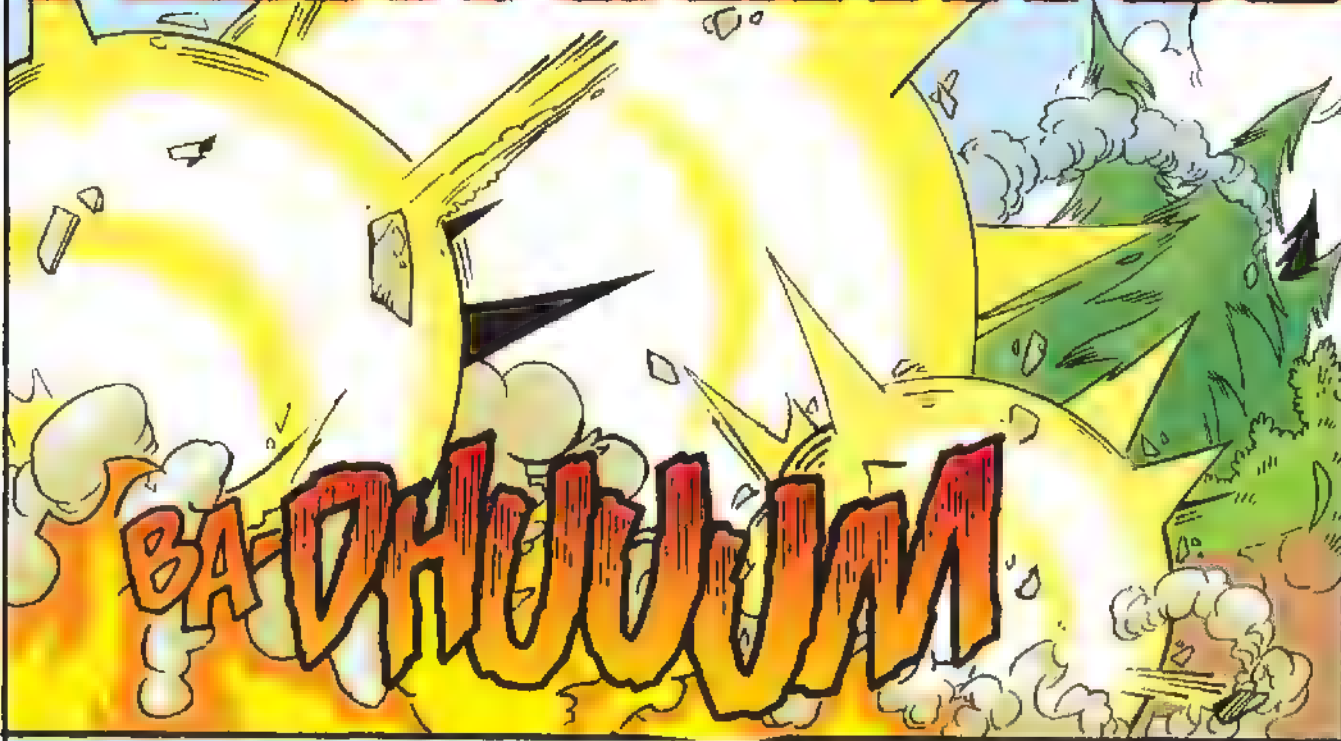
GET READY--

**NOW!**

**BOOM!**



# AWA TOOM TOOM



AT LAST--

VICTORY IS MINE!

SAVOR THE SWEET SMELL OF SUCCESS, MY MENACING MINIONS!

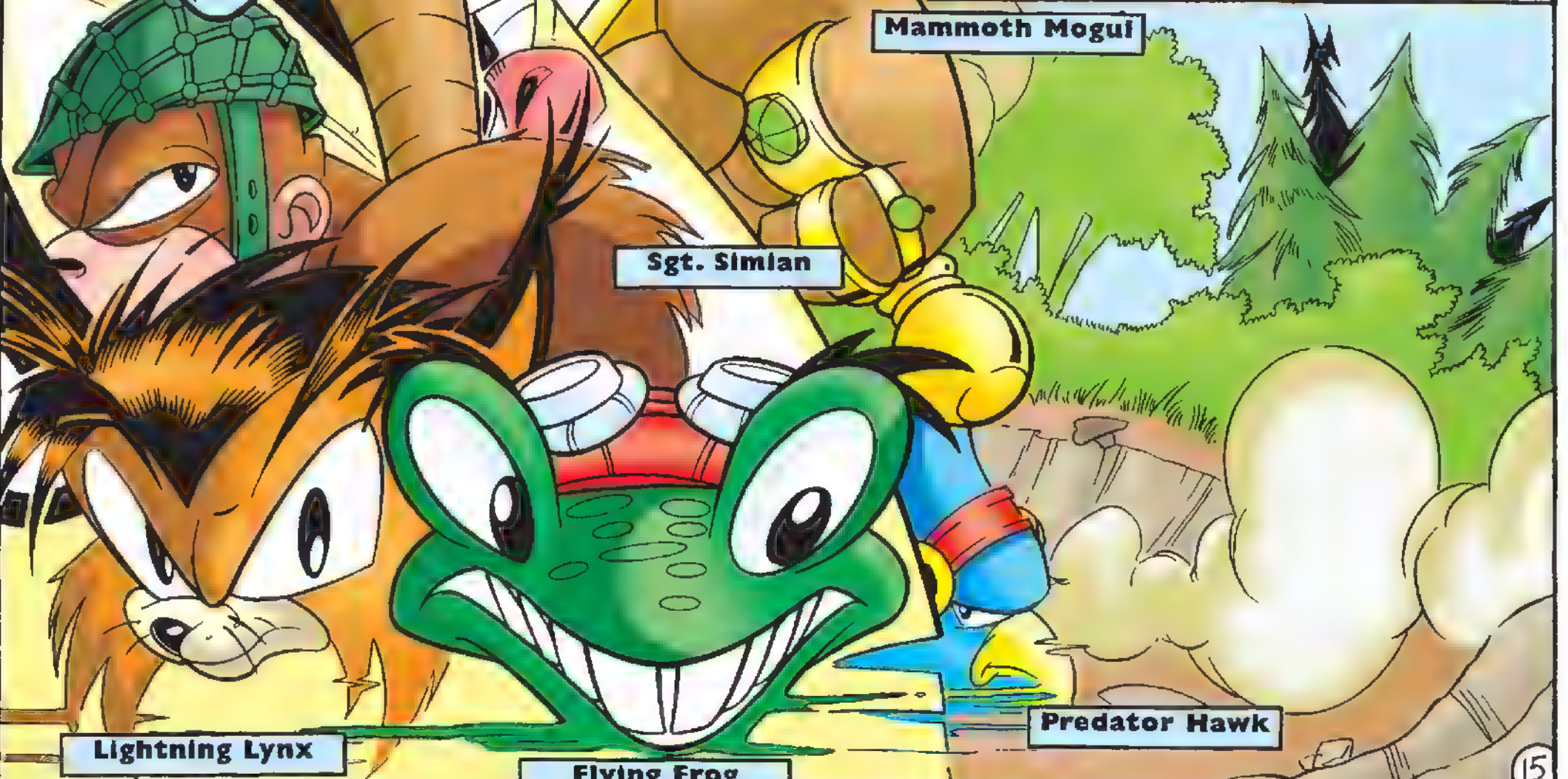
BEFORE LONG, THE WORLD SHALL BE OURS!

DON'T YOU THINK WE'RE GETTING A LITTLE AHEAD OF OURSELVES?

INSOLENT WRETCH!  
YOU DARE DOUBT MY POWER?!

Mammoth Mogul

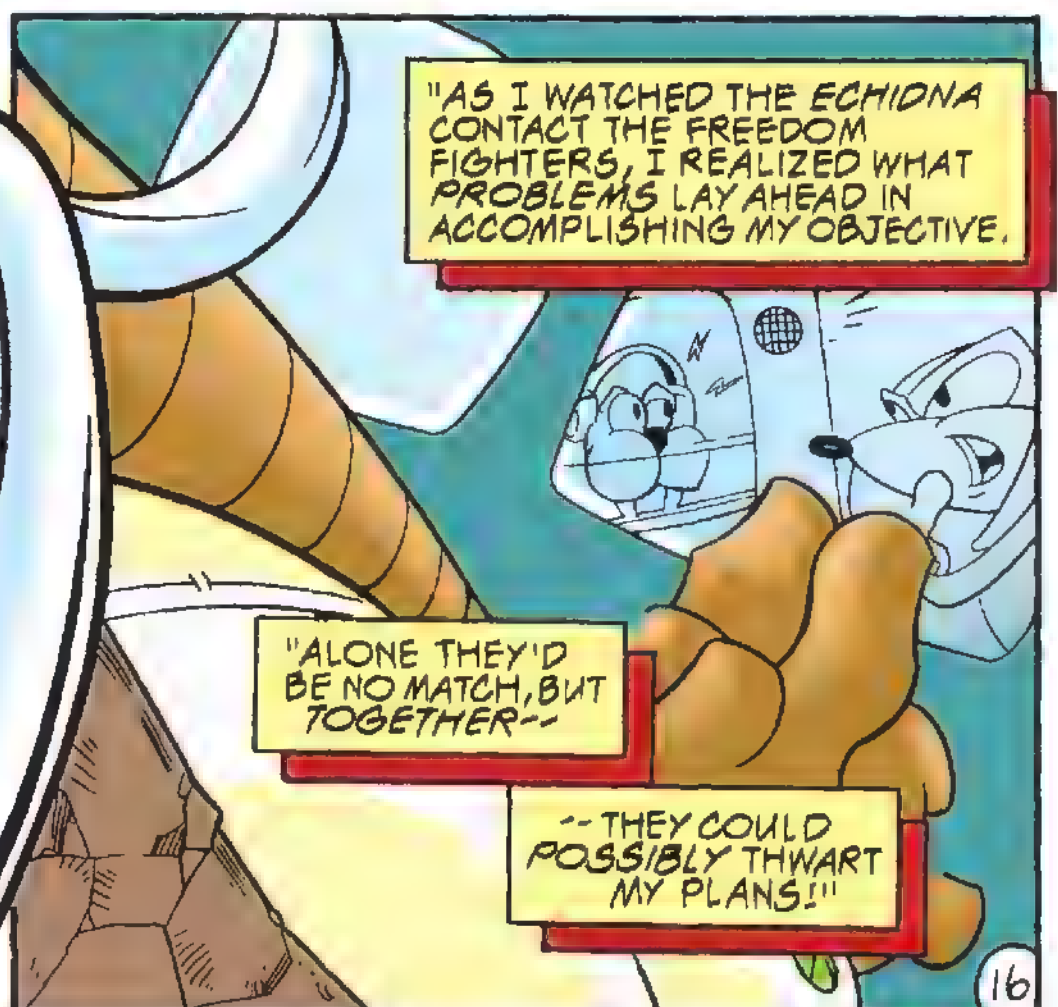
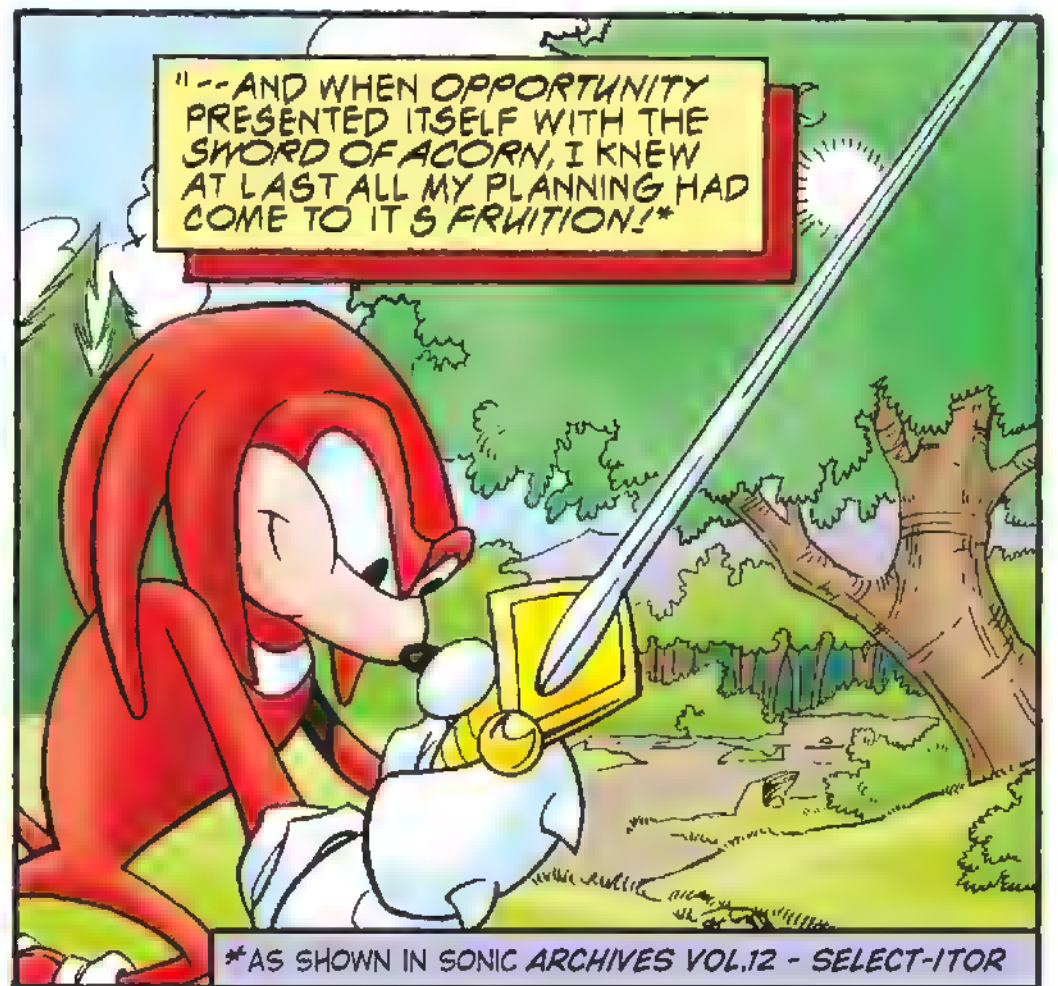
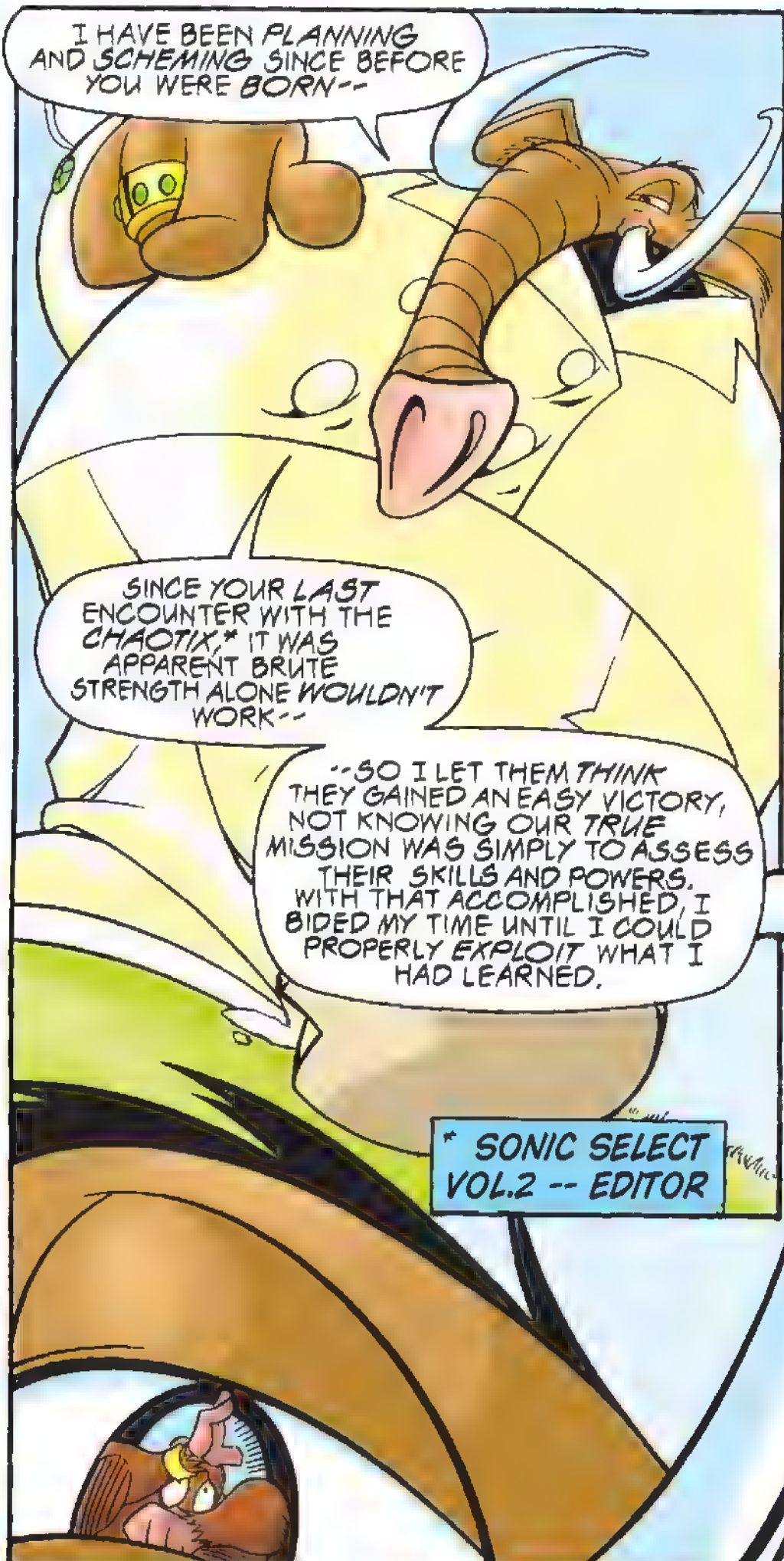
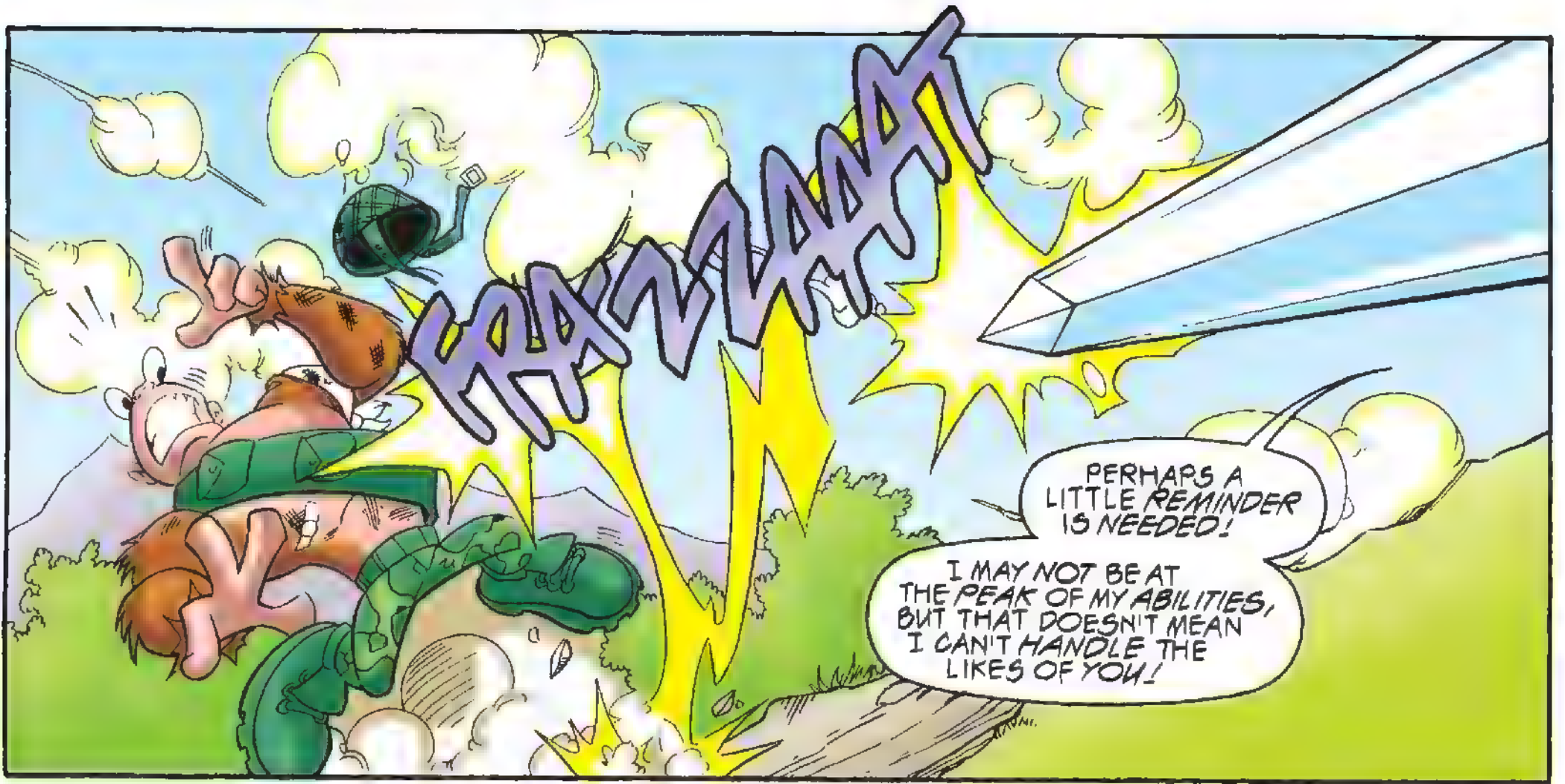
Sgt. Simian



Lightning Lynx

Flying Frog

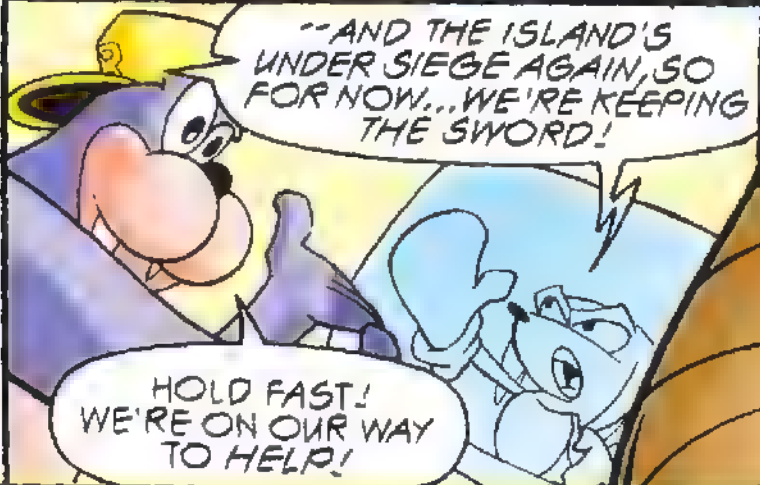
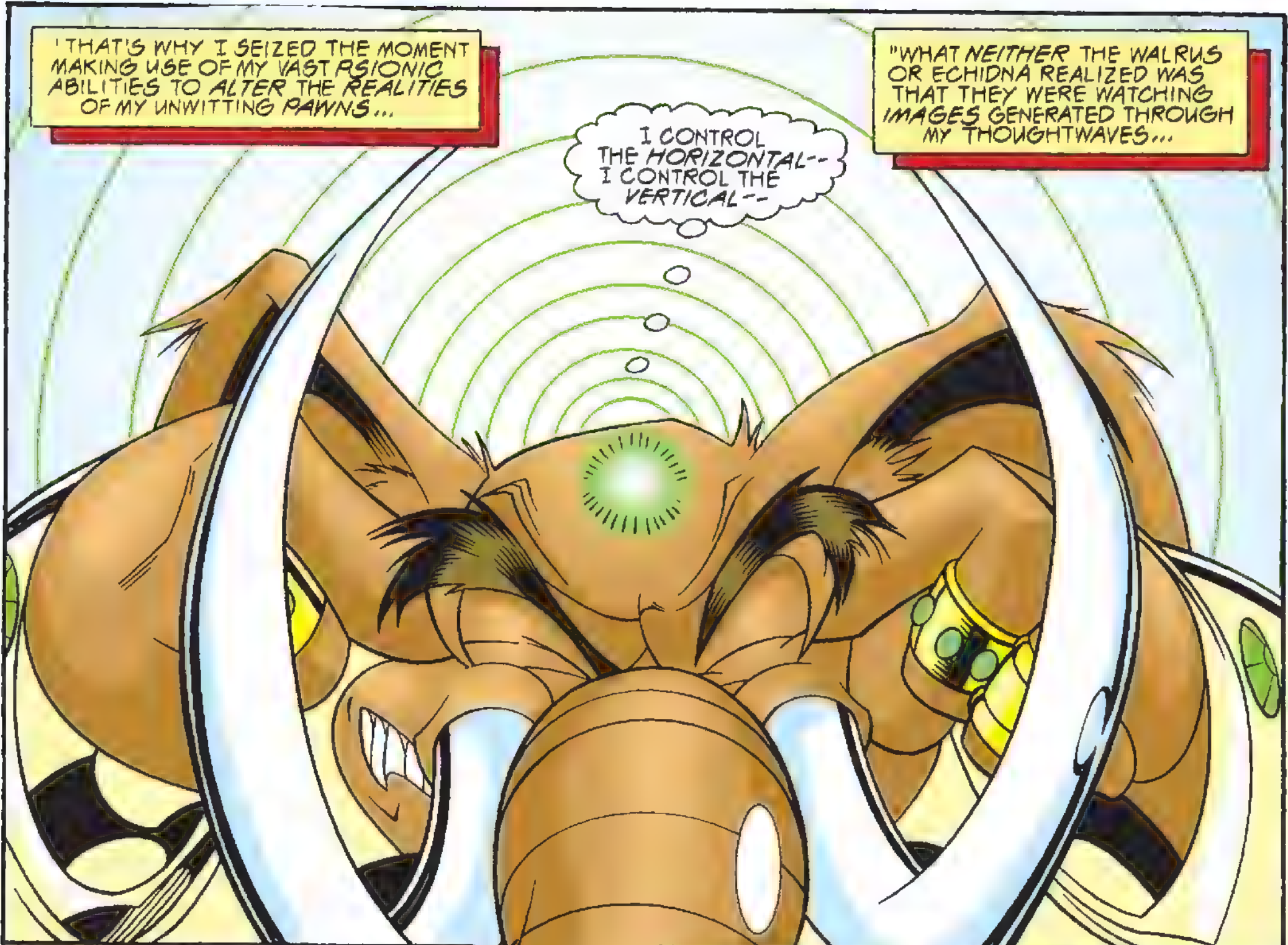
Predator Hawk



"THAT'S WHY I SEIZED THE MOMENT MAKING USE OF MY VAST PSYCHIC ABILITIES TO ALTER THE REALITIES OF MY UNWITTING PAWNS..."

"WHAT NEITHER THE WALRUS OR ECHIDNA REALIZED WAS THAT THEY WERE WATCHING IMAGES GENERATED THROUGH MY THOUGHTWAVES..."

I CONTROL THE HORIZONTAL-- I CONTROL THE VERTICAL--



--AND THE ISLAND'S UNDER SIEGE AGAIN, SO FOR NOW...WE'RE KEEPING THE SWORD!

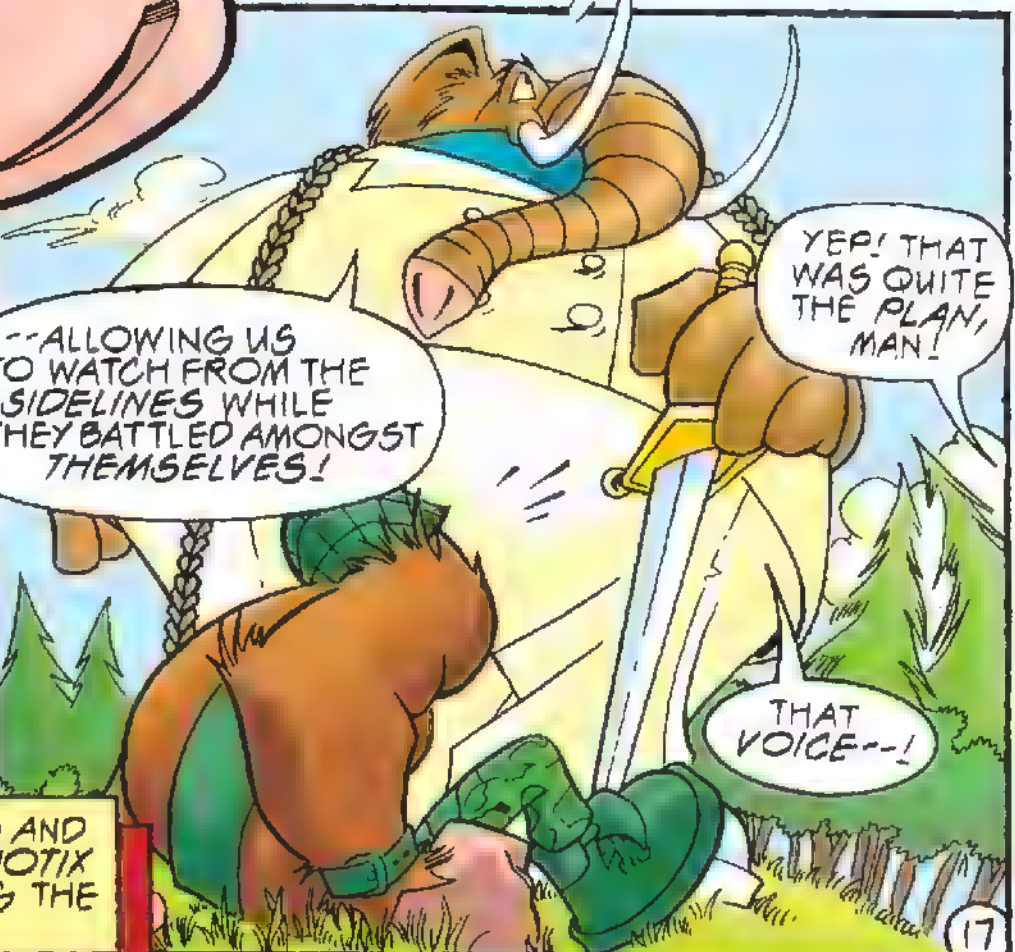
HOLD FAST! WE'RE ON OUR WAY TO HELP!



... AND YOU'VE TAKEN TOO LONG TO RETURN THE SWORD-- WE'RE COMING FOR IT AND YOU!

WHAT ARE YOU JABBERING ABOUT?

"THERE WAS STILL DANGER THAT COOLER HEADS WOULD PREVAIL, SO I CREATED THE ILLUSION OF THE FEARSOME FOURSOME AS MEMBERS OF THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS AND THE CHAOTIX, IN ORDER TO FAN THE FLAMES OF MISTRUST BETWEEN THE OPPOSING SIDES..."

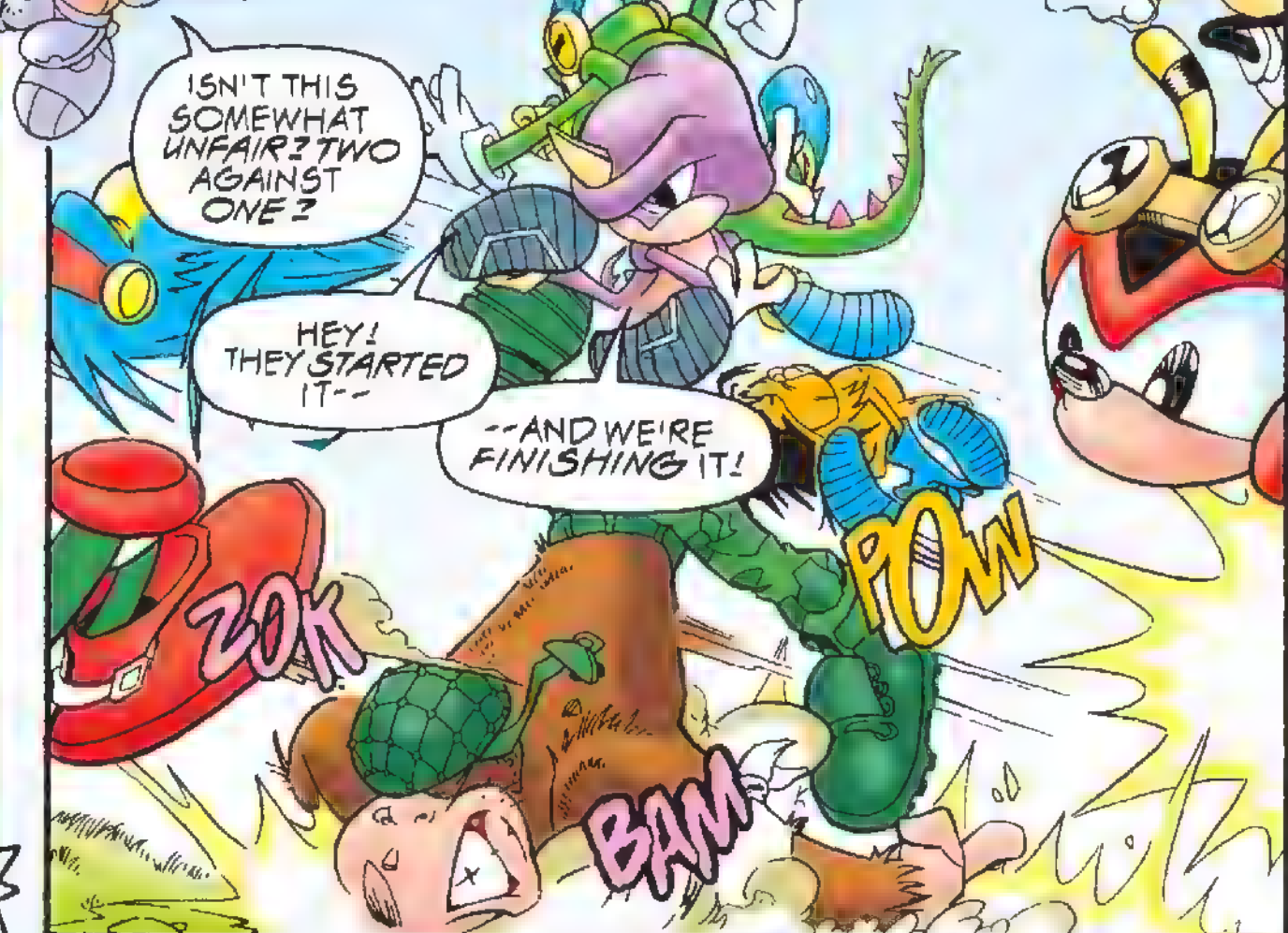


--ALLOWING US TO WATCH FROM THE SIDELINES WHILE THEY BATTLED AMONGST THEMSELVES!

YEP! THAT WAS QUITE THE PLAN, MAN!

THAT VOICE--!

"HAVING BAITED THE HEDGEHOG AND FRIENDS, WE THEN MADE THE CHAOTIX BELIEVE THE WORST CONCERNING THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS--"





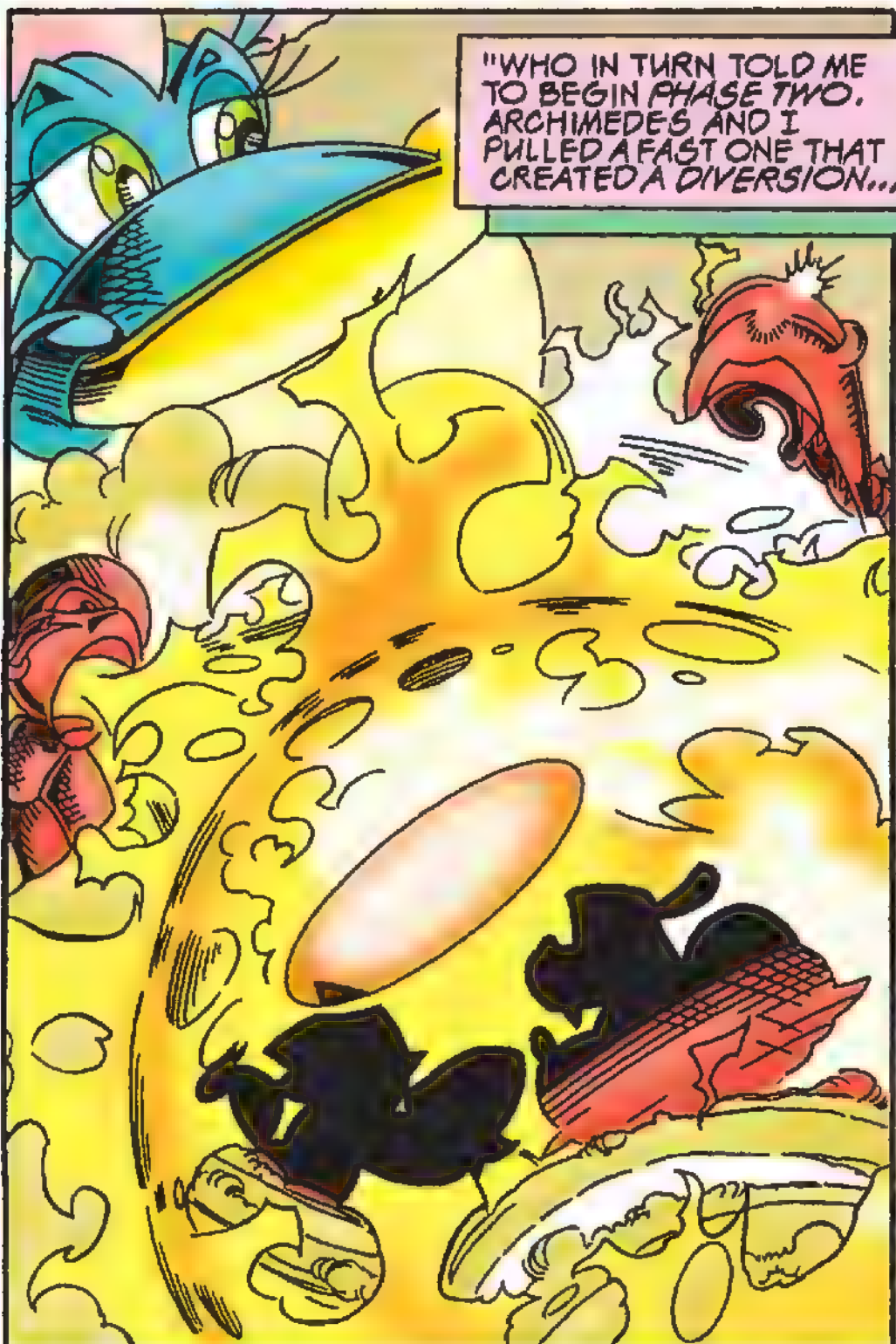
"YOU SAID IT YOURSELF-- 'COOLER HEADS MIGHT PREVAIL!' ARCHIMEDES AND I KNEW SOMETHING STUNK HERE..."

"...AND BELIEVING THE REAL ENEMY TO BE WATCHING, WE PUT ON A LITTLE PERFORMANCE TO COVER OUR PLAN!"



"USING POWERS YOU PROBABLY DIDN'T KNOW ARCHIMEDES HAS\*, HE COVERTLY CONTACTED CHARMY TO BEGIN PHASE ONE..."

\*TELEPATHY MAYBE?-- EDITOR



"WHO IN TURN TOLD ME TO BEGIN PHASE TWO. ARCHIMEDES AND I PULLED A FAST ONE THAT CREATED A DIVERSION..."



AND WHILE THE KEWL FLAMES MADE US LOOK LIKE WE WERE TAKIN' THE HEAT, ARCHY TELEPORTED US TO SAFETY...

...WHICH GAVE US TIME TO FIGURE OUT BOTH OUR GANGS WERE TAKING THE RAP FOR YOUR HOMIES!

AND HOW IS IT YOU CAME UPON THAT BRIEF FLASH OF BRILLIANCE?

"CAUSE YOU DIDN'T DO YOUR HOMEWORK! MIGHTY SAID THAT THE POWERS OF THE NEARBY ARCHIMEDES HELPED HIM TO ESCAPE\*..."

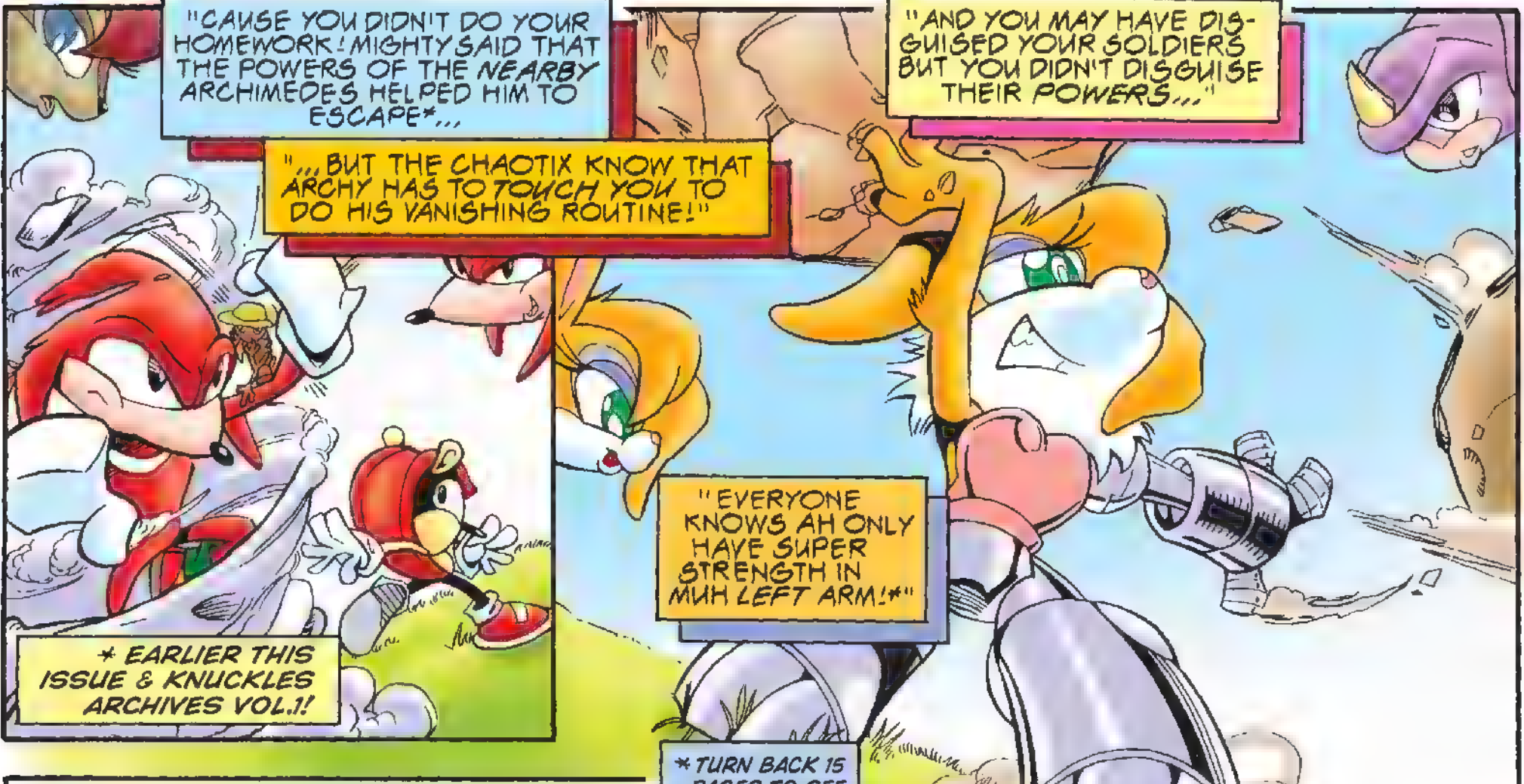
"AND YOU MAY HAVE DISGUISED YOUR SOLDIERS BUT YOU DIDN'T DISGUISE THEIR POWERS..."

"... BUT THE CHAOTIX KNOW THAT ARCHY HAS TO TOUCH YOU TO DO HIS VANISHING ROUTINE!"

"EVERYONE KNOWS AH ONLY HAVE SUPER STRENGTH IN MUH LEFT ARM!\*"

\*TURN BACK 15 PAGES TO SEE FOR YOURSELF!

\*EARLIER THIS ISSUE & KNUCKLES ARCHIVES VOL.1!



"AND WHILE YOUR GUY WAS QUICK, HE WAS NOWHERE NEAR THE SPEED OF THE BLUE DOOFBALL!\*"

\*ALSO EARLIER - ED



AND HOW COME ONLY FOUR OF SIX CHAOTIX ATTACKED US?!

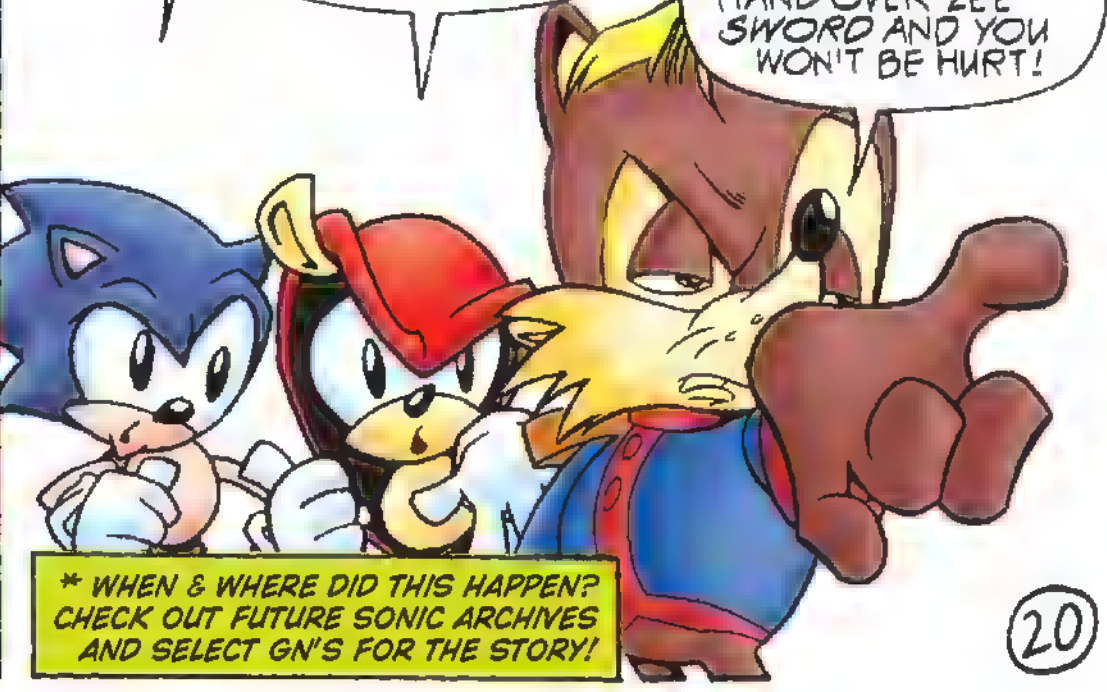
AND HOW COME SEVEN F.F.'S LANDED BUT ONLY FOUR ATTACKED US?!

ALSO, NO WAY MIGHT WOULD HAVE ATTACKED ME WITHOUT TALKING FIRST --OR AT LEAST SAYING "HI"!

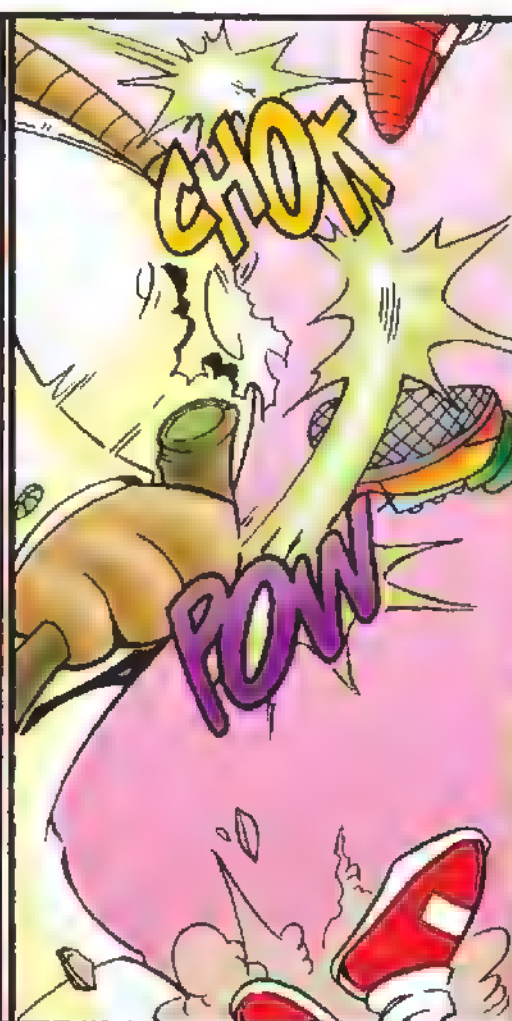
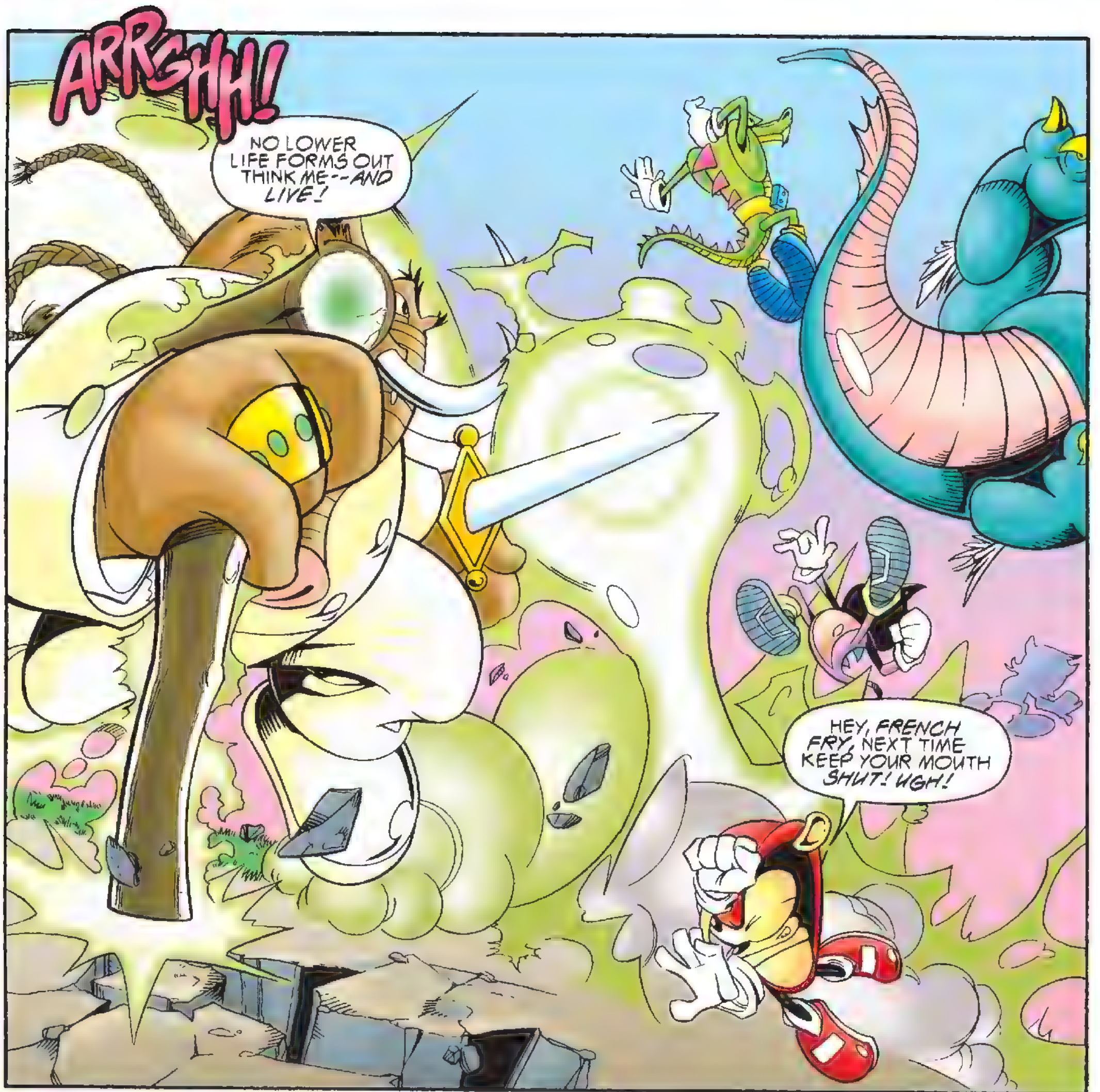
ZO, BIG JUMBO, YOU ARE NOT ONLY ZEE BIG PERSON, BUT ALSO ZEE BIG FOOL!

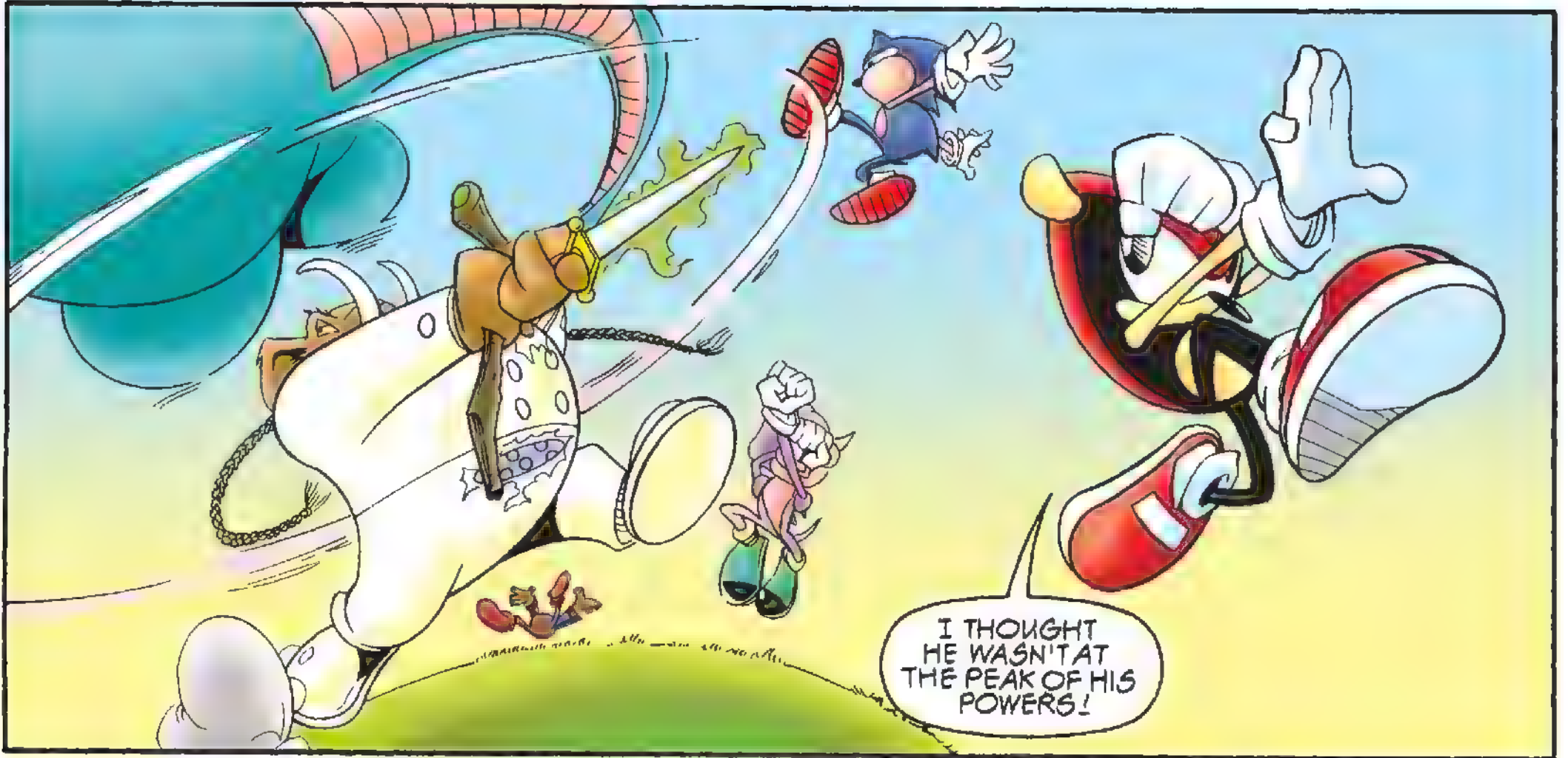
Y'SEE TALL, DARK AND HAIRY, WE'RE OLD PALS!\*

NOW THAT YOUR SCHEME IS KAPUT, HAND OVER ZEE SWORD AND YOU WON'T BE HURT!



\*WHEN & WHERE DID THIS HAPPEN? CHECK OUT FUTURE SONIC ARCHIVES AND SELECT GN'S FOR THE STORY!





\*CHECK OUT MATHIAS POE IS SONIC ARCHIVES VOL.12 - EDITOR



**TRAP**

WOW! BRING TWO CHAOS EMERALDS TOGETHER...

AND THAT'S WHAT YOU GET...  
UTTER CHAOS!

PRETTY SMART--  
TAKING A CHANCE  
ONE CHAOS EMERALD  
MIGHT BLOW UP  
ANOTHER!

IT WAS A  
DESPERATE  
GAMBLE AT  
BEST!

ALRIGHT!  
HE BLEW HIM  
OUT OF THE  
UNIVERSE!

DON'T SWEAT  
IT, SHORTY, IT PAID  
OFF!

AND IT  
DID LEAVE  
US WITH  
THE SWORD,  
SO...

AS PER MY  
SOLEMN VOW, I  
HUMBLY MAKE  
GOOD MY  
PROMISE!

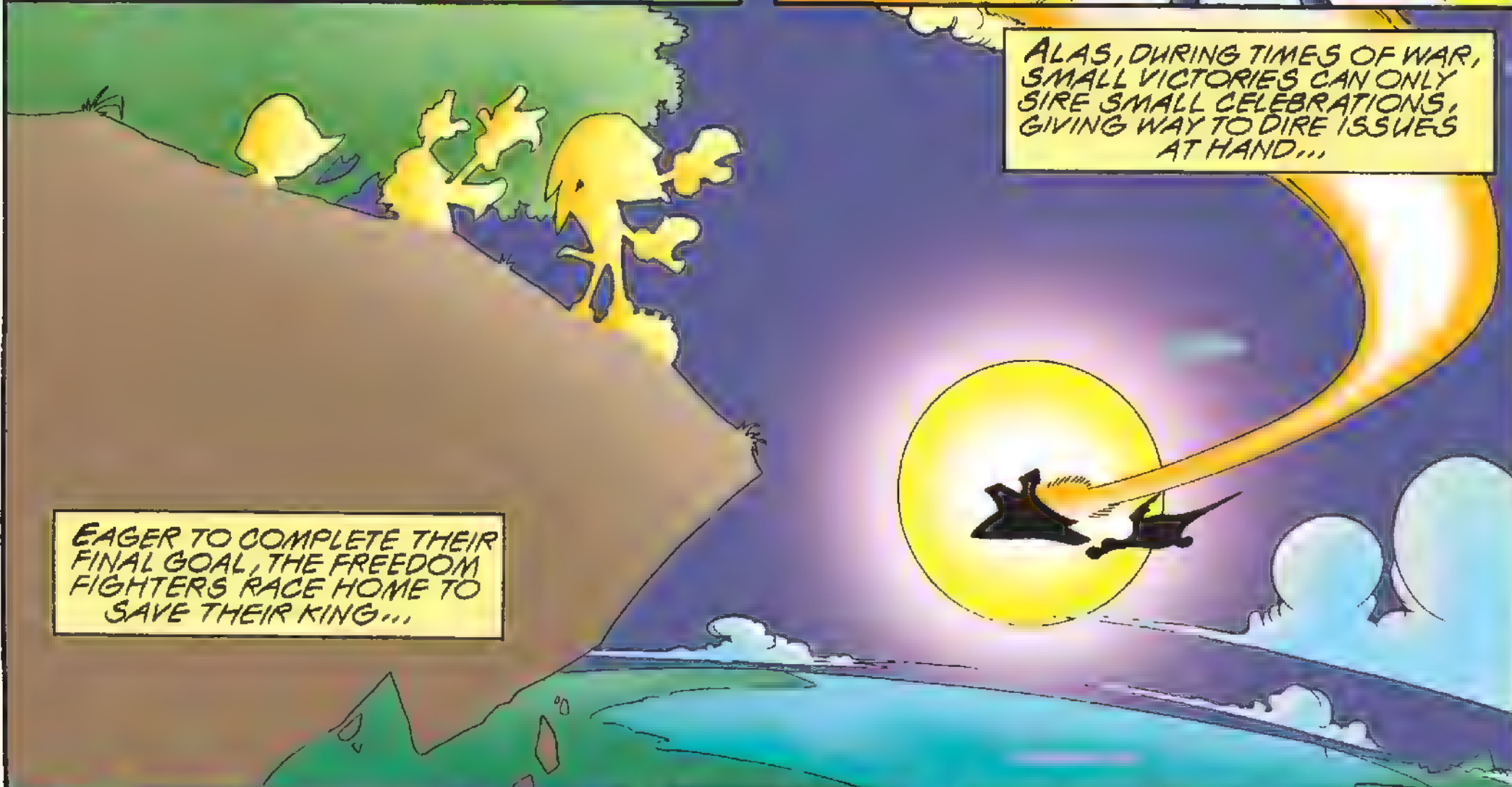
AND FOR YOUR  
COURAGE AND FORTI-  
TUDE ON BEHALF OF  
THE REALM...



I HEARBY DULY KNIGHT YOU! YOU ARE THIS ISLAND'S GUARDIAN, BUT WHEN IN KNOTHOLE, YOU ARE NOW AND FOREVER-MORE... SIR KNUCKLES!



HIP HIP HOORAY!



ALAS, DURING TIMES OF WAR, SMALL VICTORIES CAN ONLY SIRE SMALL CELEBRATIONS, GIVING WAY TO DIRE ISSUES AT HAND...

EAGER TO COMPLETE THEIR FINAL GOAL, THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS RACE HOME TO SAVE THEIR KING...

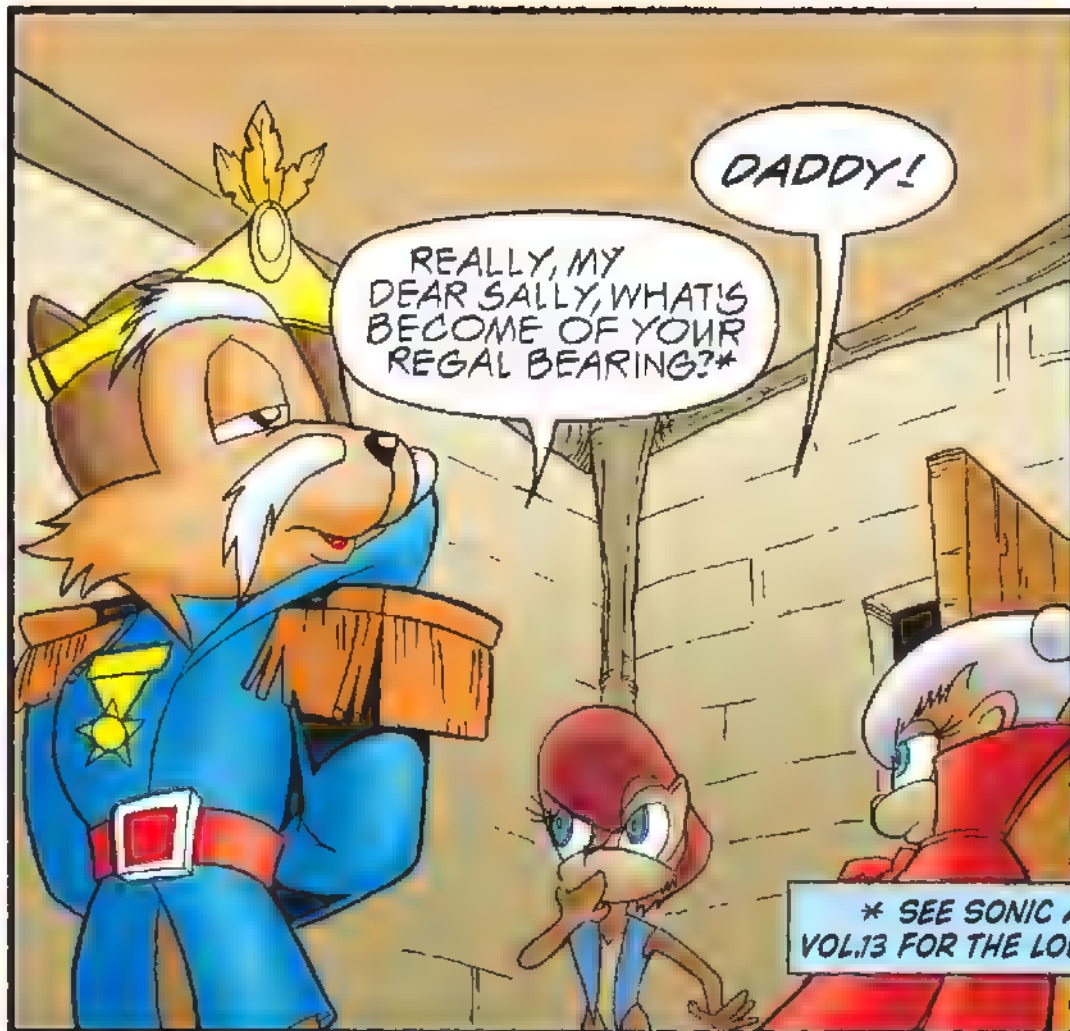


...NEVER SUSPECTING THAT WHICH AWAITS THEM IN THEIR SECRET SANCTUARY!

ROTOR, CONTACT UNCLE CHUCK! WITH HIS HELP, I'M SURE WE CAN FINALLY RETRIEVE THE CROWN OF ACORNS! I'LL BEGIN MY RE-SEARCH IN MY HUT WITH NICOLE.



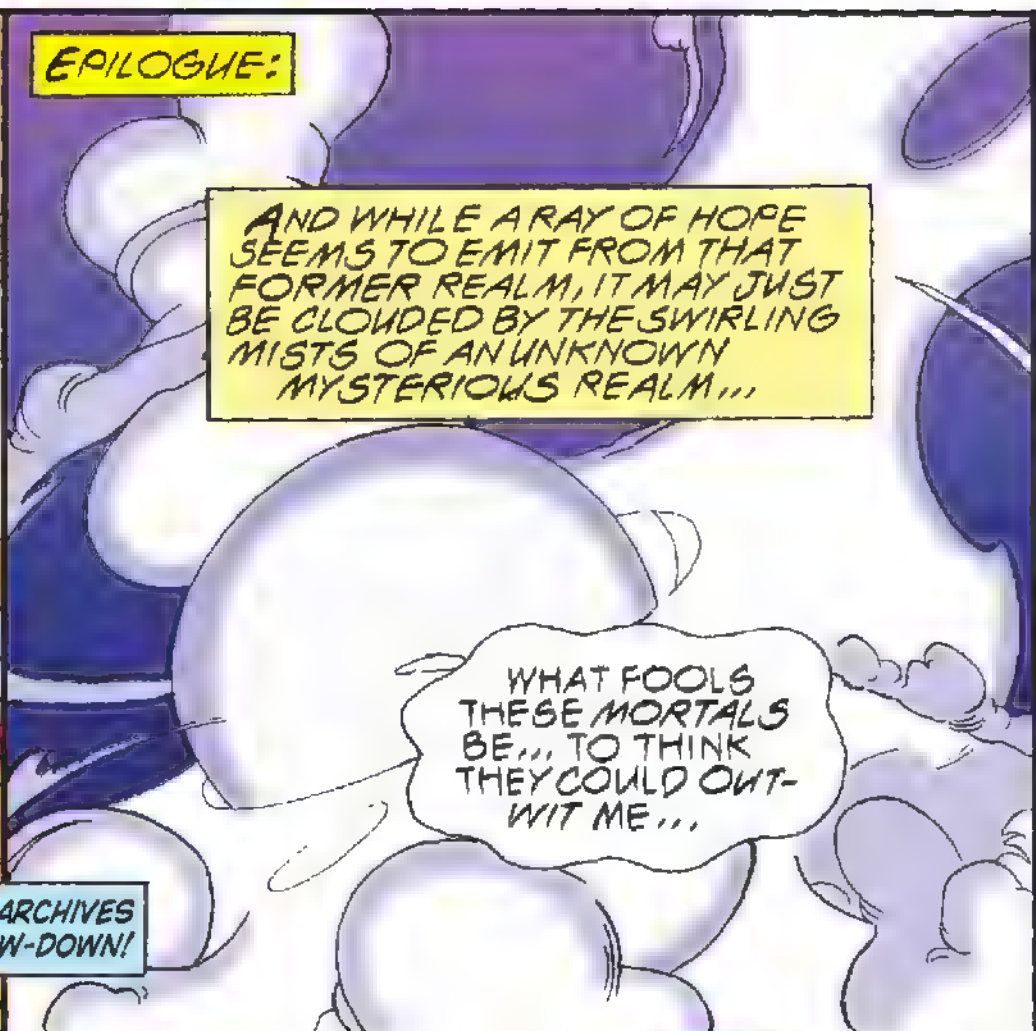
PRINCESS SALLY!!!  
COME QUICK, CHILD!



REALLY, MY DEAR SALLY, WHAT'S BECOME OF YOUR REGAL BEARING?\*

DADDY!

\* SEE SONIC ARCHIVES VOL.13 FOR THE LOW-DOWN!



**EPILOGUE:**

AND WHILE A RAY OF HOPE SEEMS TO EMIT FROM THAT FORMER REALM, IT MAY JUST BE CLOUDED BY THE SWIRLING MISTS OF AN UNKNOWN MYSTERIOUS REALM...

WHAT FOOLS THESE MORTALS BE... TO THINK THEY COULD OUTWIT ME...



IF ONLY THEY KNEW I'VE MANIPULATED EVERY EVENT... FROM MY SEEMING INEPTITUDE, TO MY "ULTIMATE DESTRUCTION..."



...AND BY THE TIME THEY ASCERTAIN I HAVE THE REAL SWORD OF ACORNS, IT WILL BE TOO LATE!



MY MASTER PLAN WILL BE WELL NEAR COMPLETION, LEAVING THE ENTIRE PLANET MOBIUS GROVELING AT MY FEET!

KING ACORN RESTORED TO HEALTH?! LOOKS LIKE IT'S COUNTDOWN TO ROBOTNIK'S DESTRUCTION, OR IS IT? THE ANSWER IS ENDGAME IN SONIC ARCHIVES VOL.13! AND WHAT OF MAMMOTH MOGUL? KEEP READING SONIC ARCHIVES, SELECT & THE UPCOMING KNUCKLES ARCHIVES TO FIND OUT!

**T**HE FLIGHT OF THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS IS A NEVER-ENDING ONE. EACH TRIES FINDING A WAY TO STOP ROBOTNIK'S TERRORIZING OF THE FOREST EVERY SINGLE DAY. TODAY IS NO EXCEPTION.

FROM THE ANTOINE FILES:

# THE MAP

PART ONE

POWER RING GRID

MY FATHER LEFT SO MUCH BEHIND. I WISH HE WERE HERE TO HELP.

I WANT TO MAKE HIM PROUD. IF HE COULD ONLY ZEE.

RECON MAPS

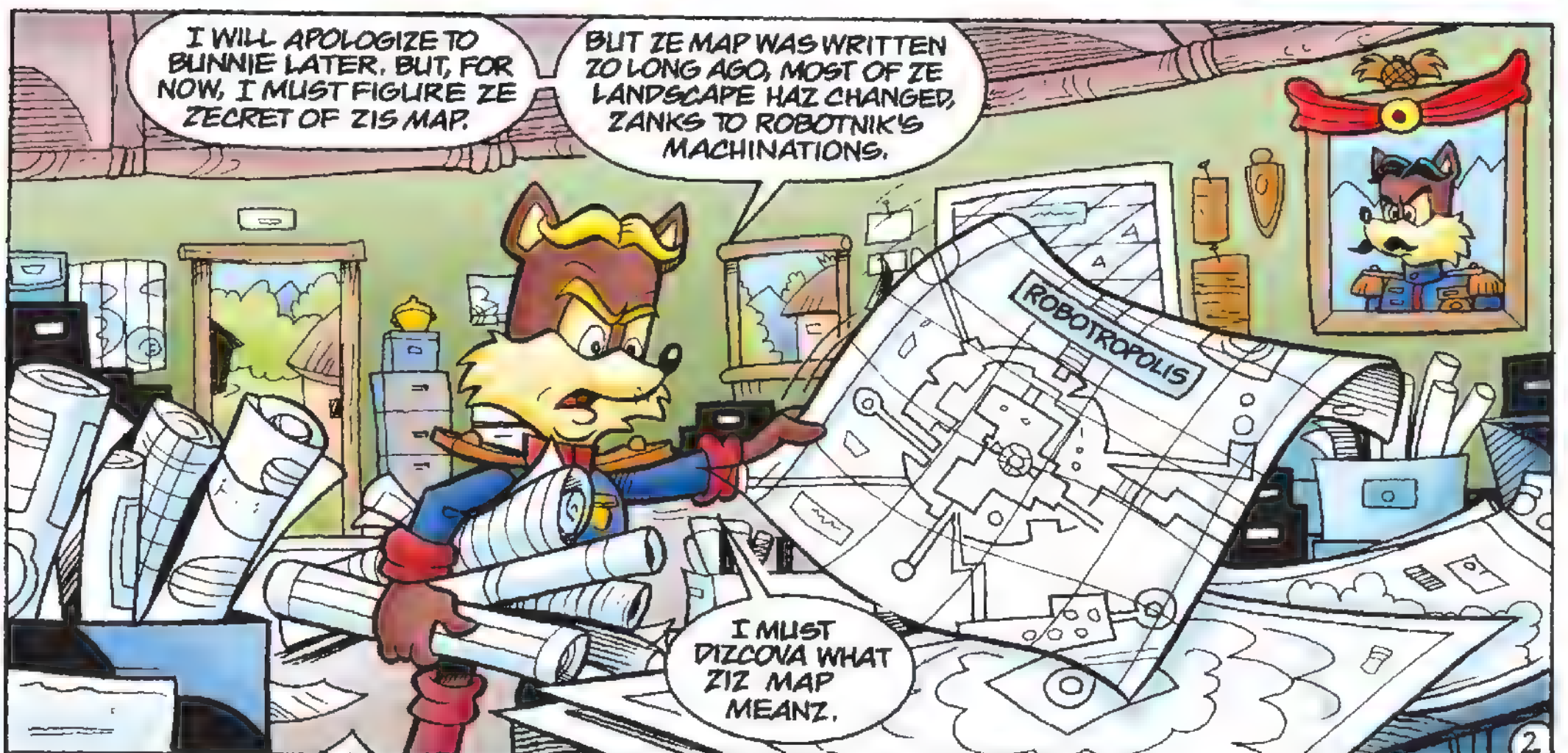
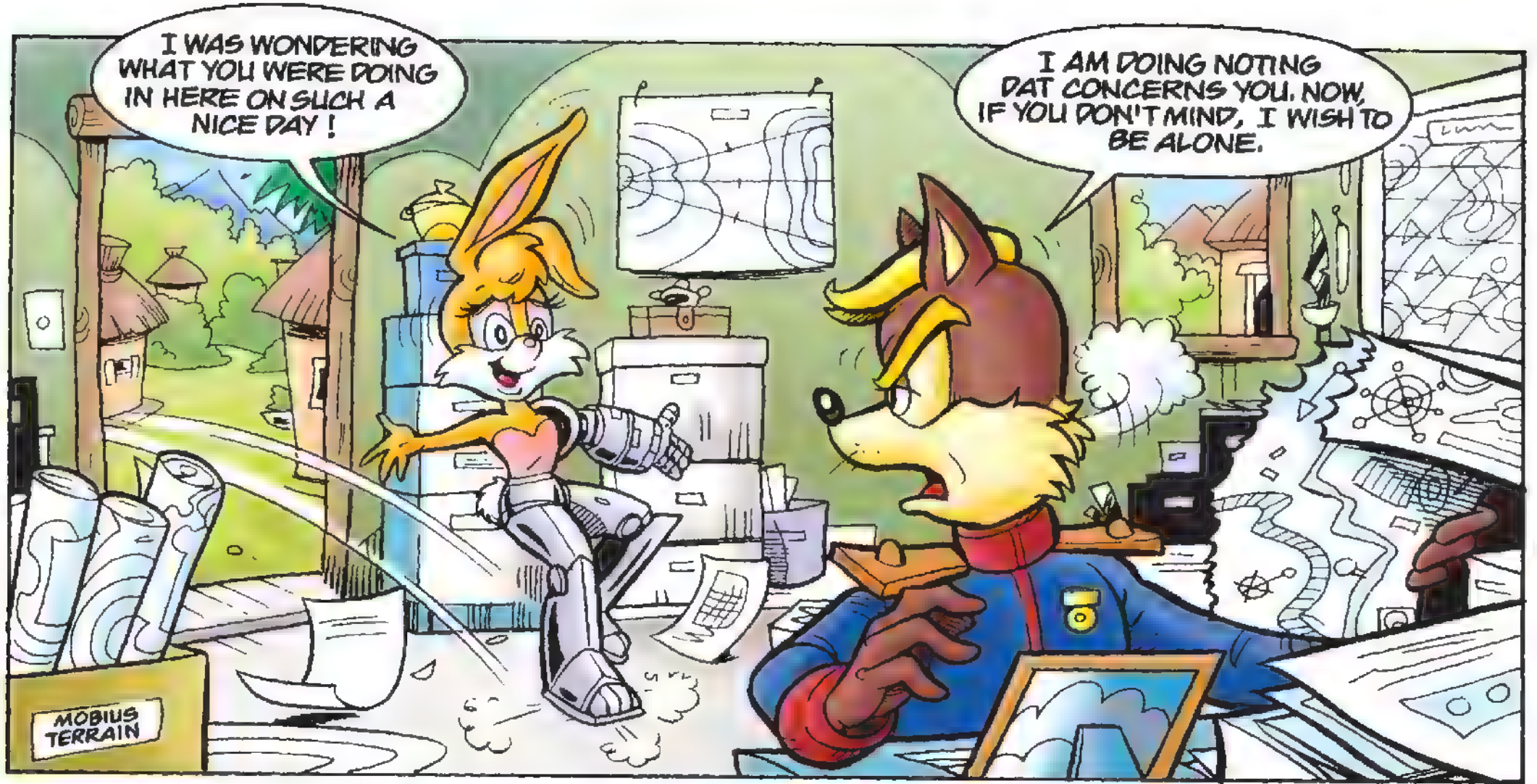
WE WERE SO YOUNG ZEN.

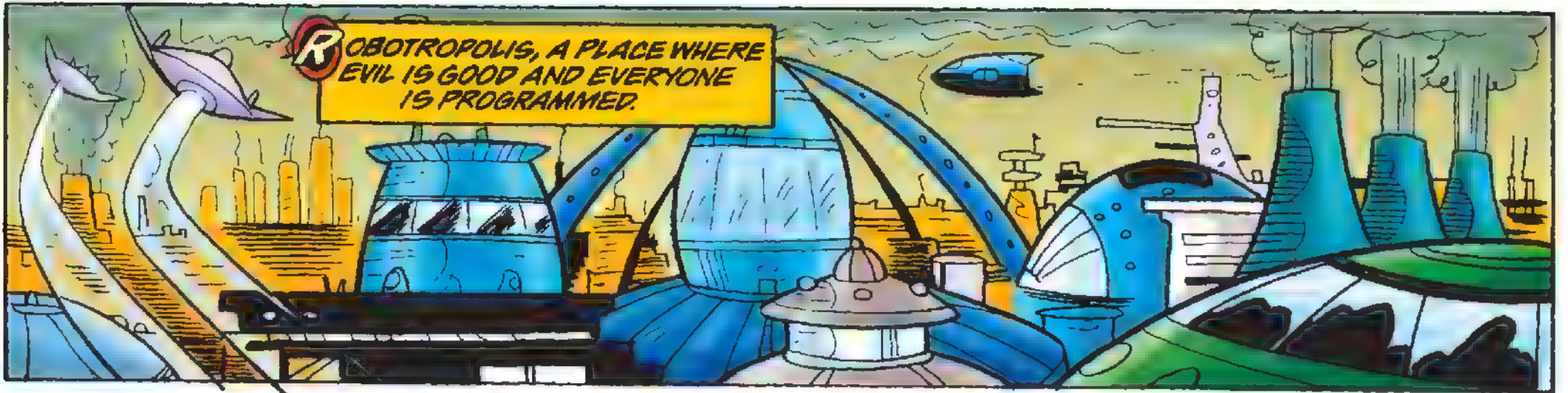
IT IS AMAZING THAT WE HAVE LASTED SO LONG AGAINST ROBOTNIK.

PERHAPS THIS IS A WAY TO FINALLY DEFEAT HIM.

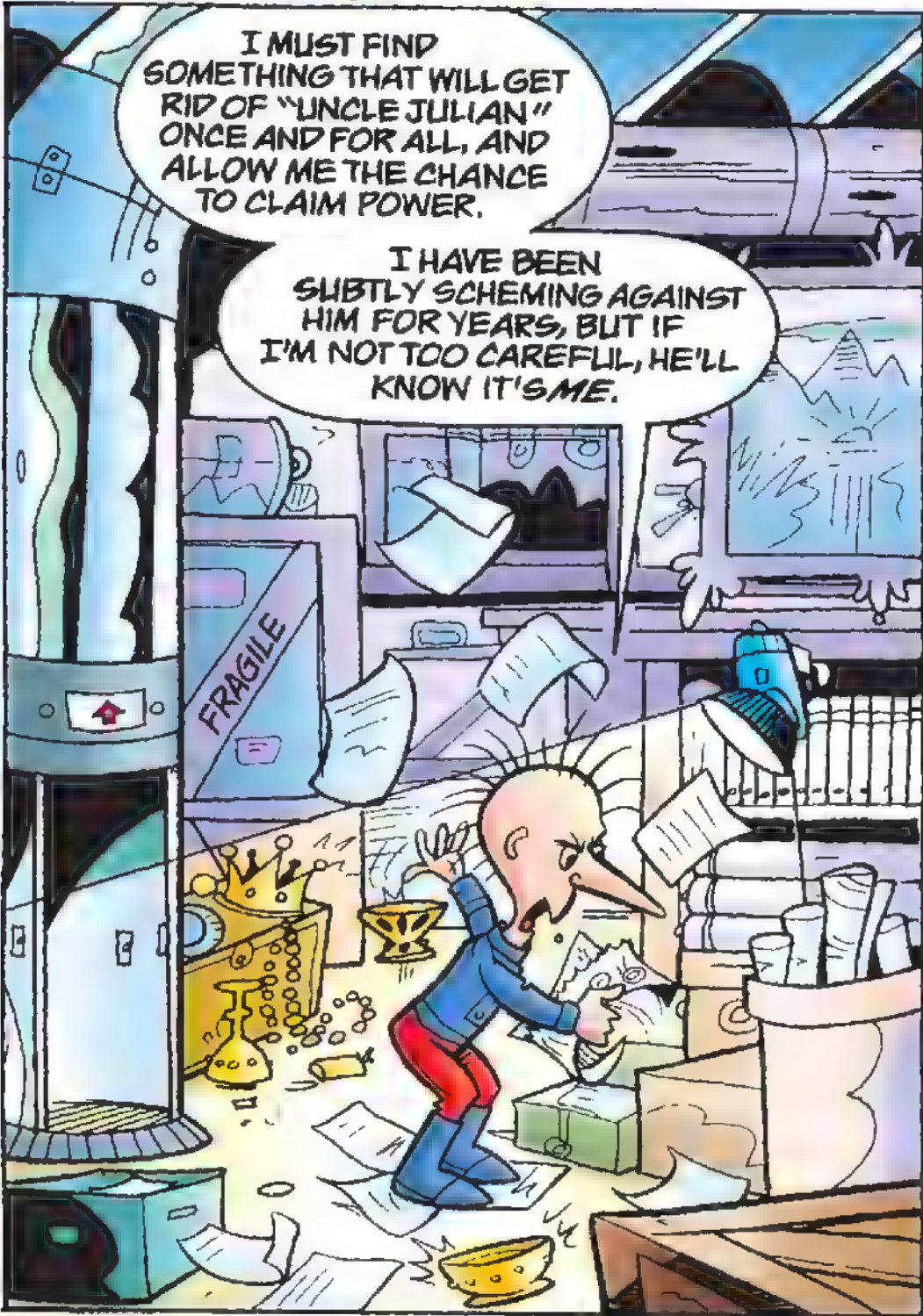
BUT WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

WHAT IS THIS MAP SUPPOSED TO LEAD TO...?



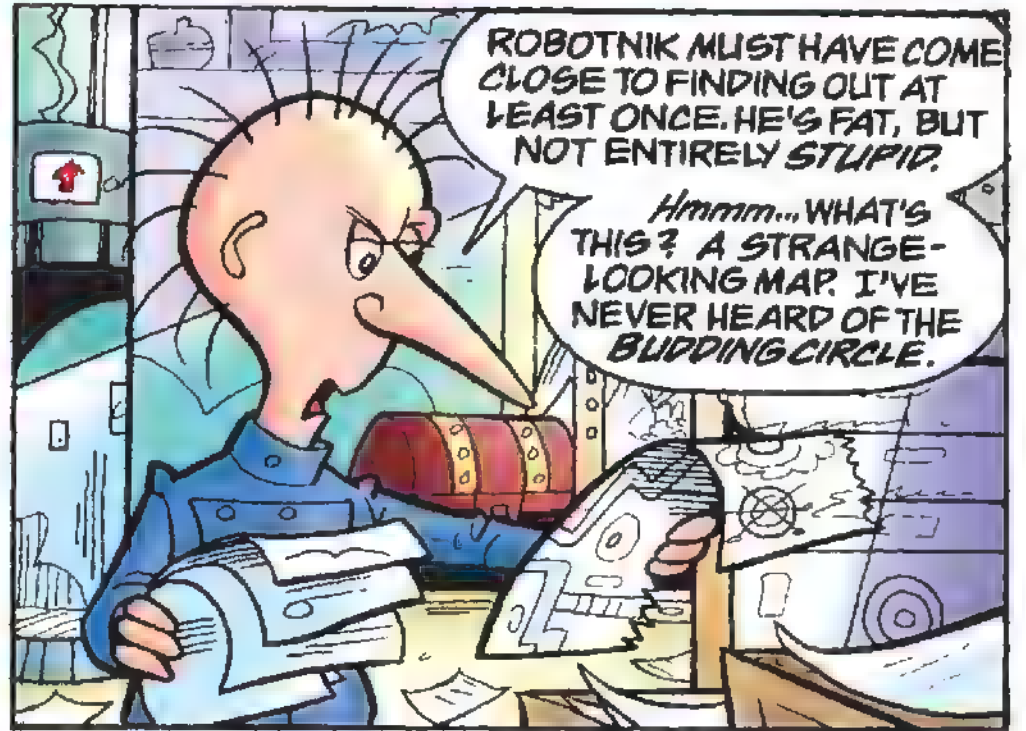


**R**OBOTROPOLIS, A PLACE WHERE EVIL IS GOOD AND EVERYONE IS PROGRAMMED.



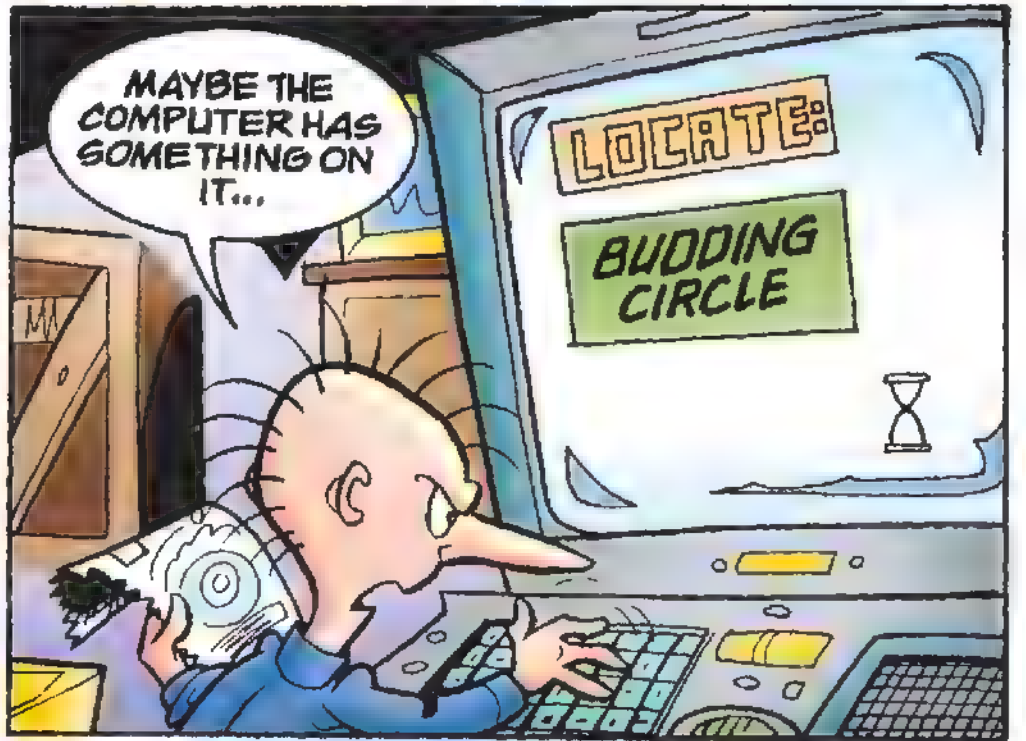
I MUST FIND SOMETHING THAT WILL GET RID OF "UNCLE JULIAN" ONCE AND FOR ALL, AND ALLOW ME THE CHANCE TO CLAIM POWER.

I HAVE BEEN SUBTLY SCHEMING AGAINST HIM FOR YEARS, BUT IF I'M NOT TOO CAREFUL, HE'LL KNOW IT'S ME.



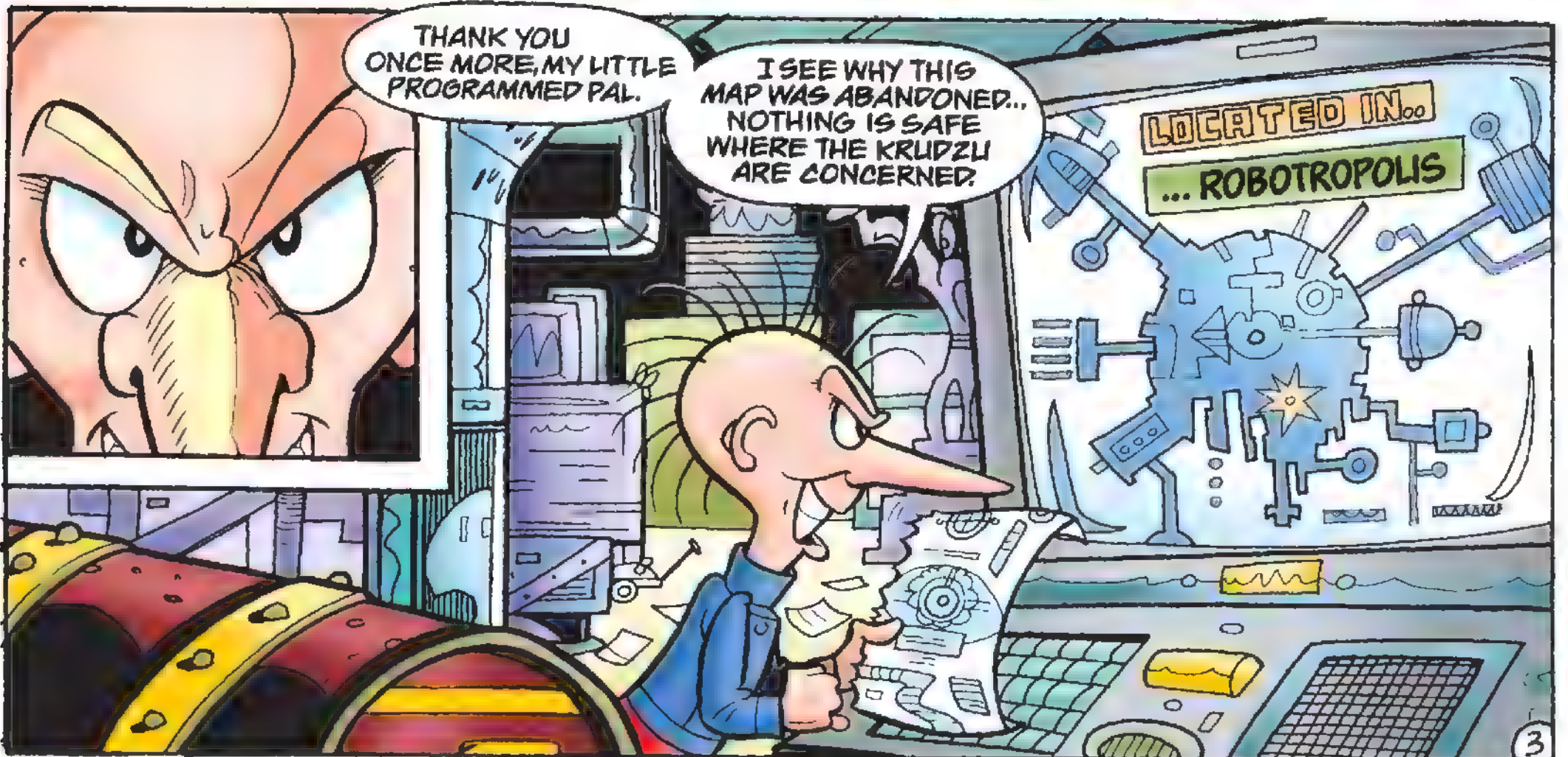
ROBOTNIK MUST HAVE COME CLOSE TO FINDING OUT AT LEAST ONCE. HE'S FAT, BUT NOT ENTIRELY STUPID.

Hmmm... WHAT'S THIS? A STRANGE-LOOKING MAP. I'VE NEVER HEARD OF THE BUDDING CIRCLE.



MAYBE THE COMPUTER HAS SOMETHING ON IT...

LOCATE:  
BUDDING CIRCLE



THANK YOU ONCE MORE, MY LITTLE PROGRAMMED PAL.

I SEE WHY THIS MAP WAS ABANDONED... NOTHING IS SAFE WHERE THE KRUDZU ARE CONCERNED.

LOCATED IN...  
... ROBOTROPOLIS

BACK IN KNOTHOLE.

BOTH MAPS HAVE ONE COMPLETE ZIDE, THE X ON THE COMPLETE ZIDE IZ AT A PLACE CALLED BUDDING CIRCLE.

BUDDING CIRCLE WAS A ZECTION IN MOBOTROPOLIS. ROBOTNIK DESTROYED IT WIT HIZ WRETCHED KRUDZU, ORGANIC, METALLIC PLANTS THAT GROW FROM ZEEDS.\*

ZE GROUND AT BUDDING CIRCLE COULD NOT TAKE THE STRAIN AND COLLAPSED THEM DOWN INTO ZE EARTH.

\* REDISCOVERED BY THE 'BOTS WAY BACK IN SONIC ARCHIVES VOL.1 -- SELECT-ITOR

\*\* AGAIN, ARCHIVES VOL.1 - EDITOR

AFTER DAT, ROBOTNIK TRIED USING DEM IN ZE GREAT FOREST, UNTIL WE DIZCOVERED THEIR ONLY WEAKNESS-- WATER! \*\* ZEN ZE KRUDZU WERE NEVER SEEN AGAIN.

MAYBE DE FAT MAN IZ HIDING DOZ HORRID PLANTS PARE ? OR DE MAP TO FIND WHERE HE PUT DE REST OF DE ZEEDS ? OR MAYBE DE MAP LEADZ TO DE MOST POWERFUL OF POWER RINGS ?

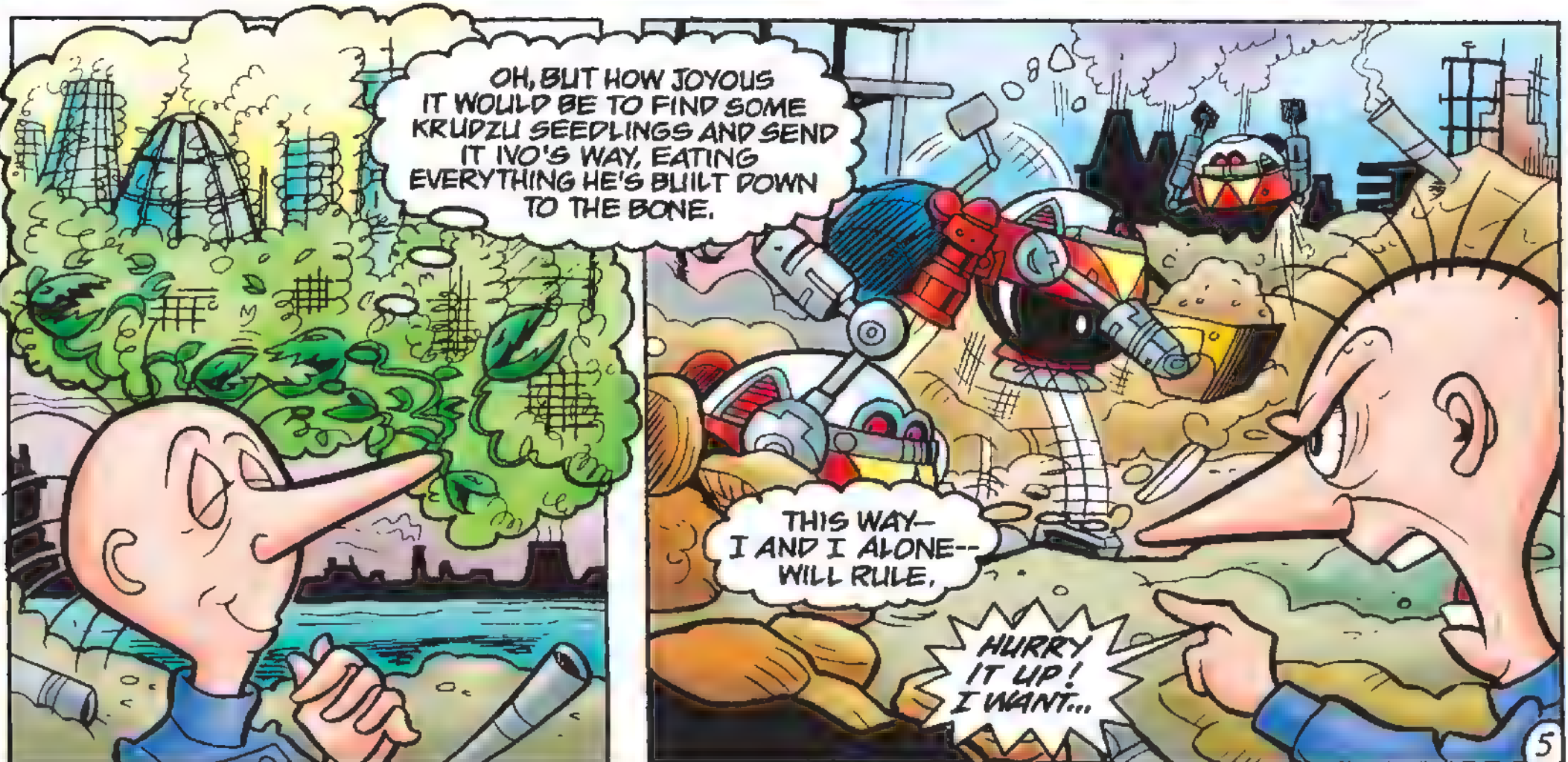
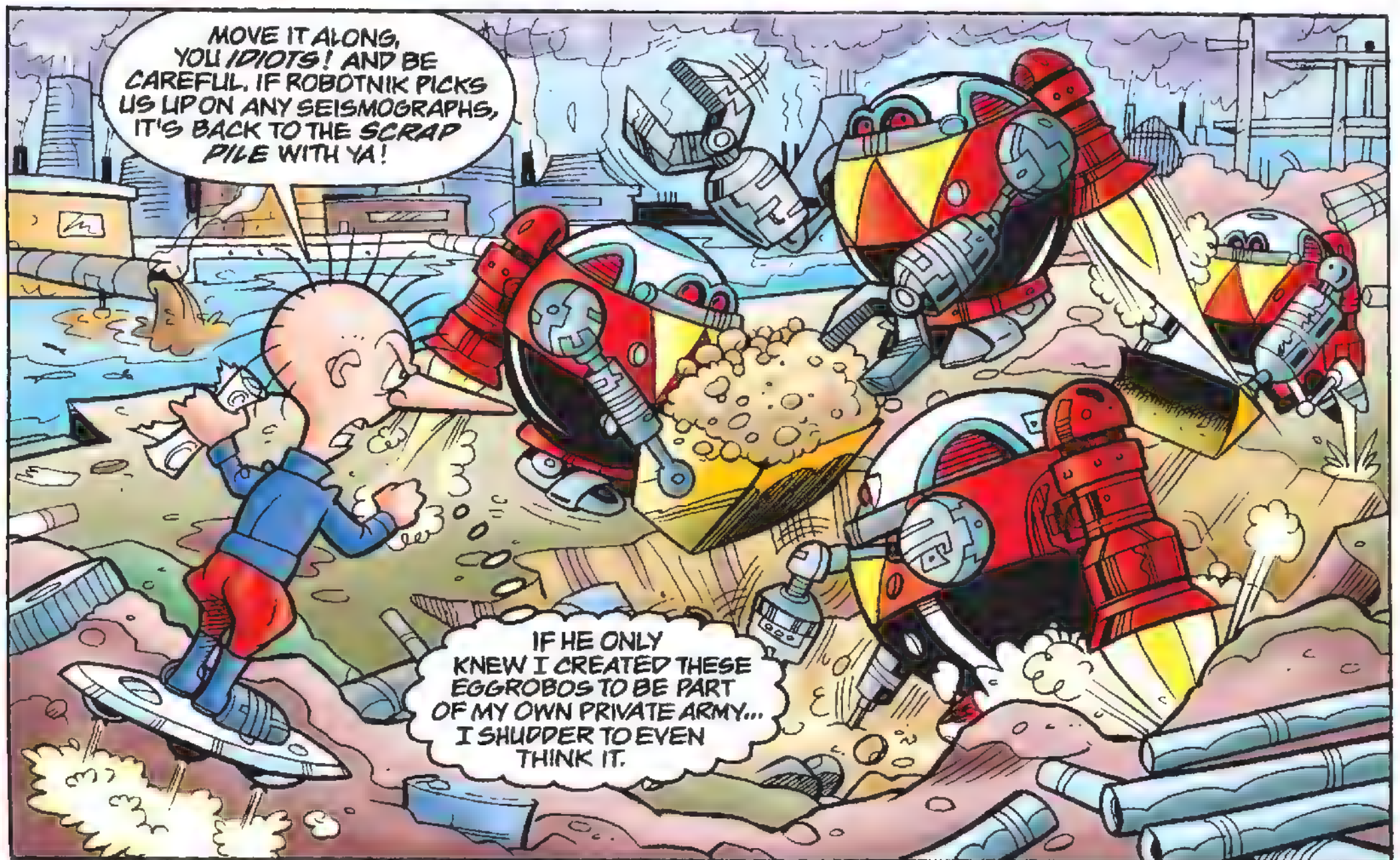
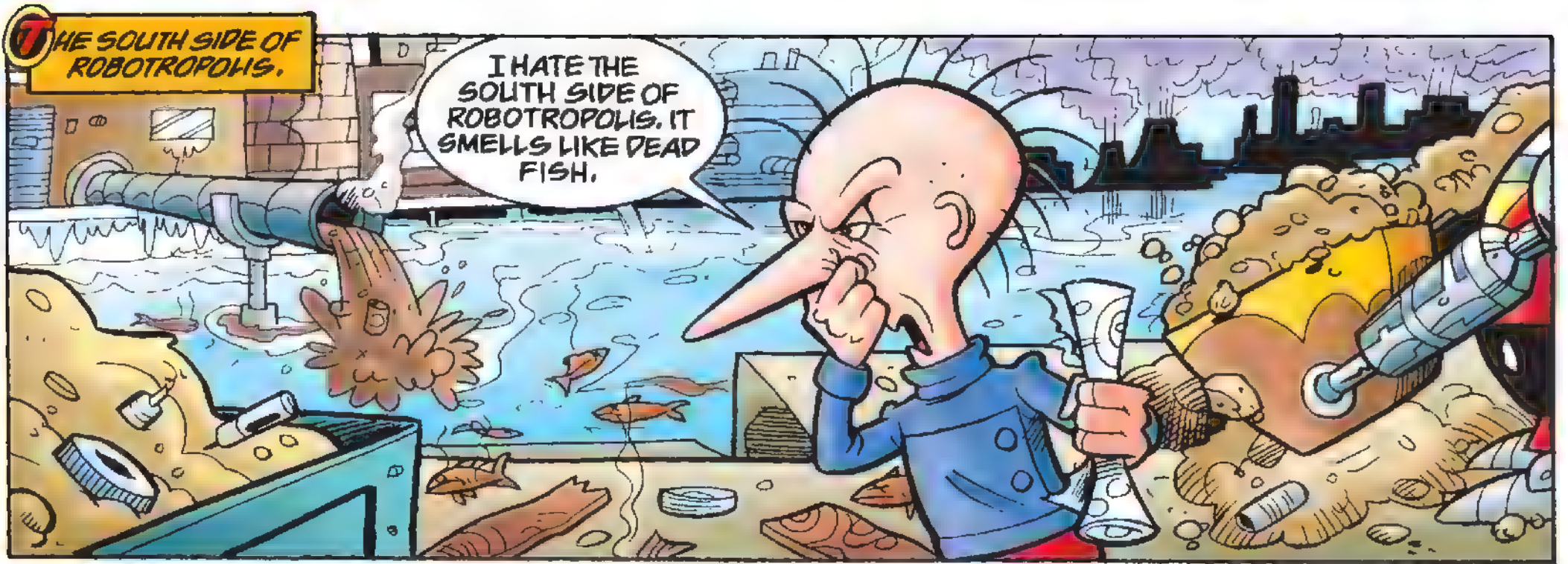
NONE DE LESS, I HAVE COORDINATES DAT WILL PUT ME NEAR ONE MILE OF WHERE BUDDING CIRCLE UZED TO BE. I'M SURE DE OLD WELL IZ NOT DARE, BUT I MUST TRY.

WHAT PROBLEMS COULD I HAVE ? ZE ZOUTH ZIDE OF ROBOTROPOLIS IZ A STINKY ZEWER. NO ONE IN DARE RIGHT MIND WOULD GO DARE.

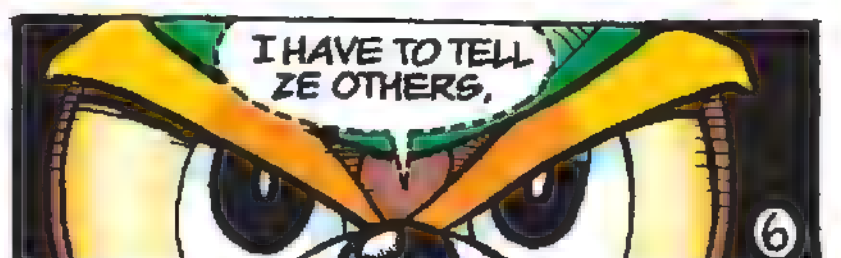
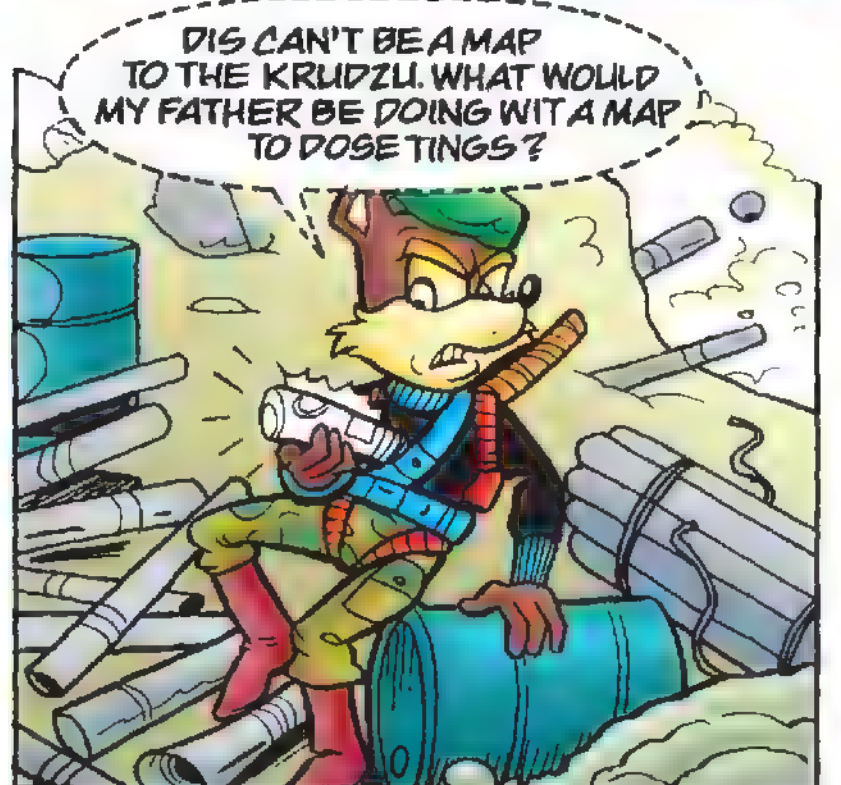
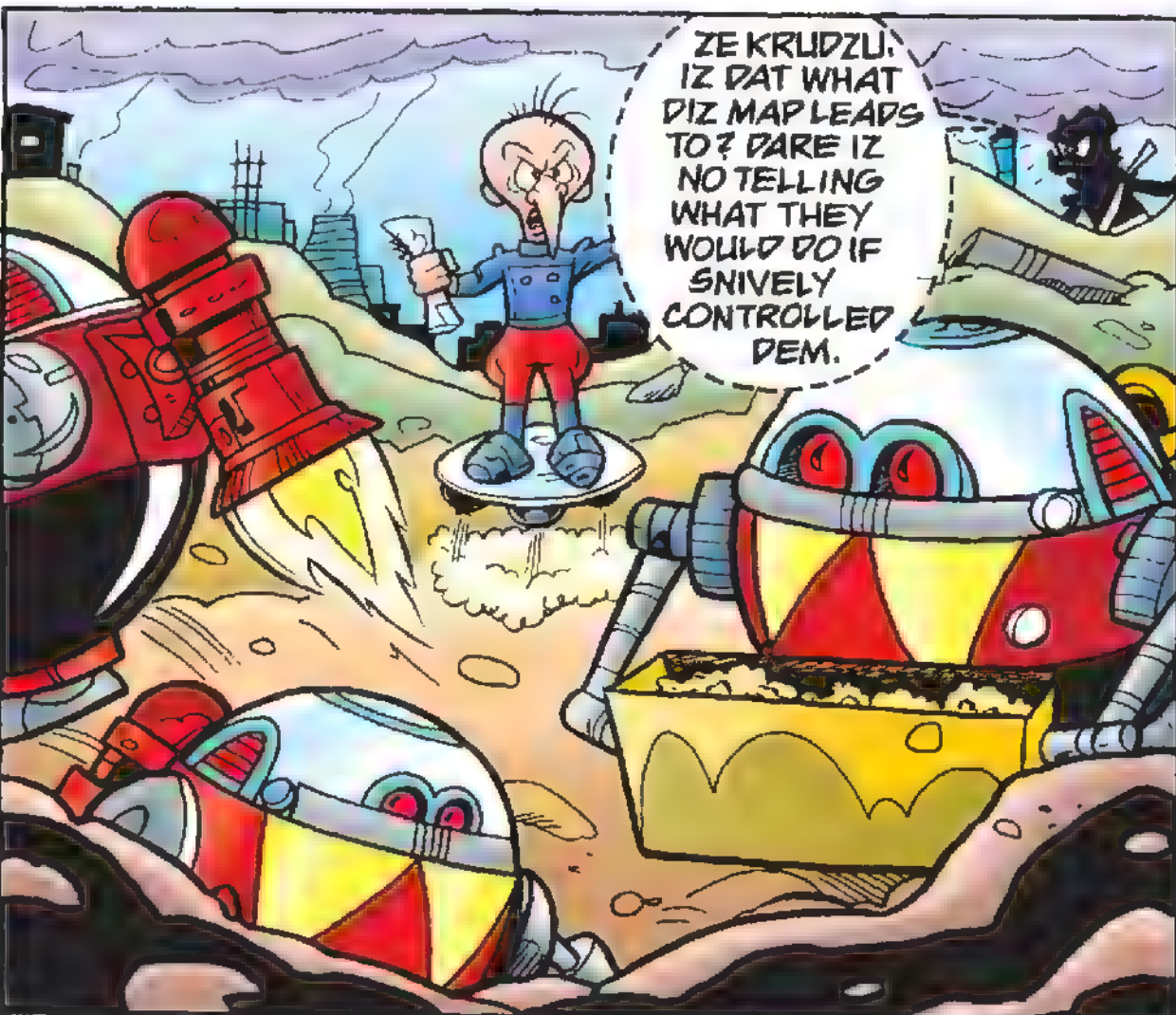
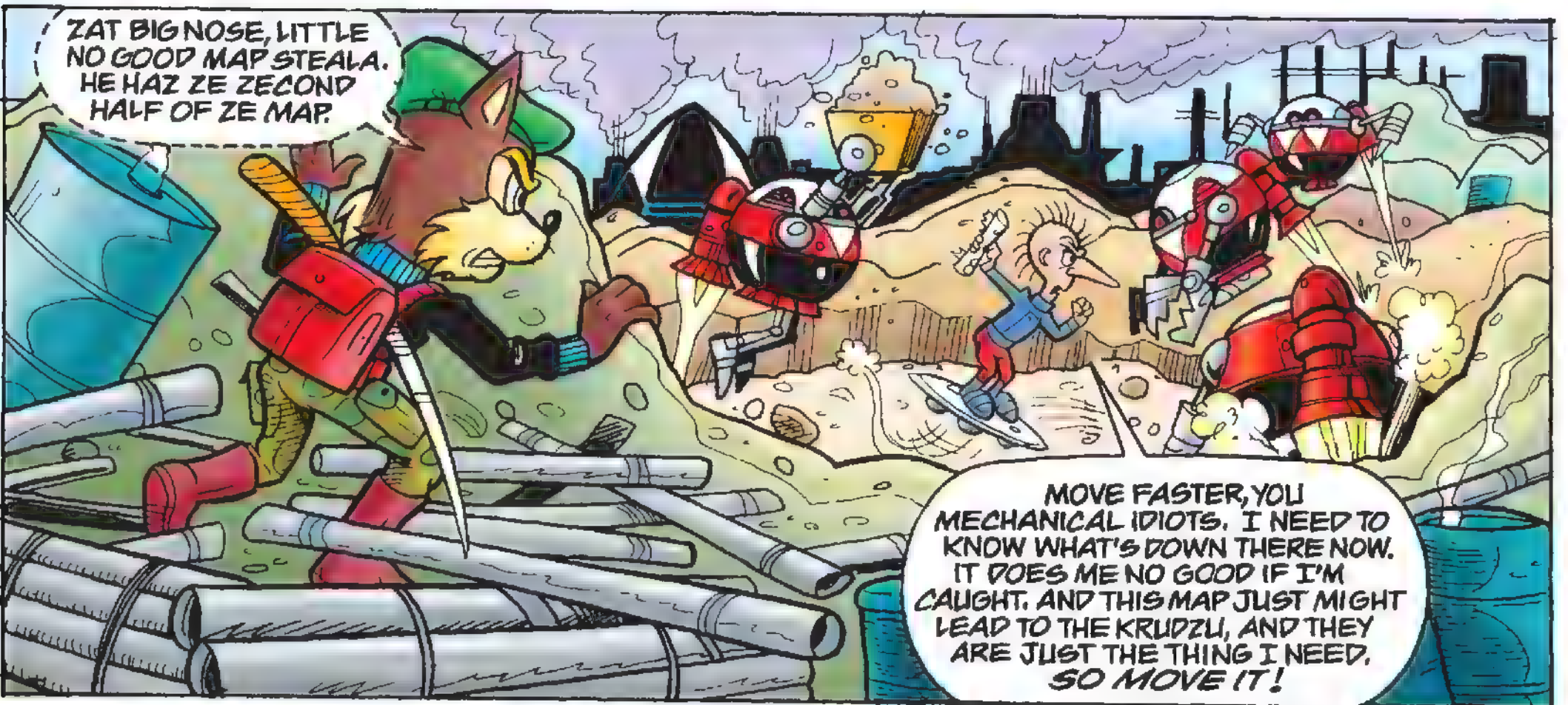
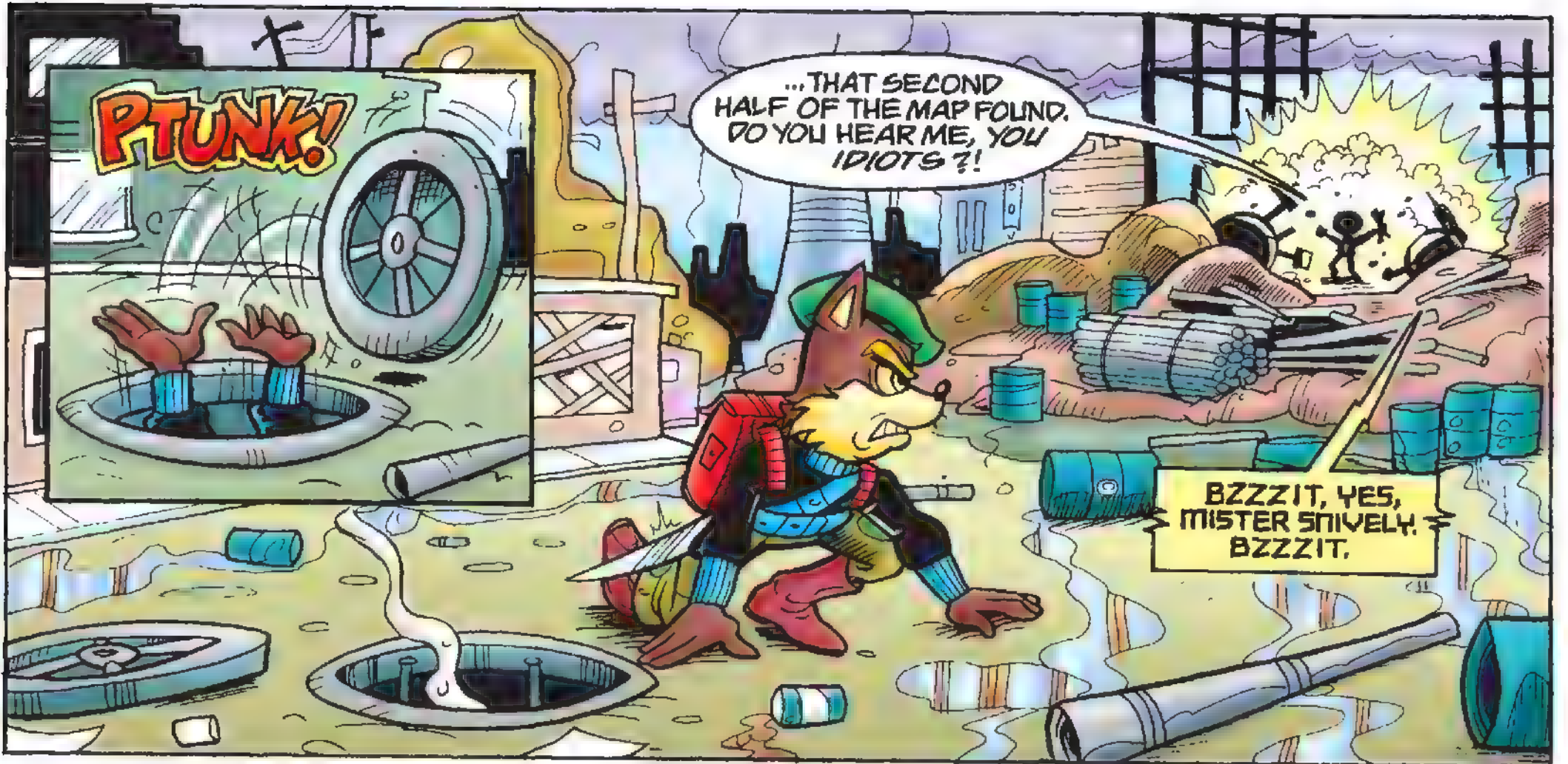
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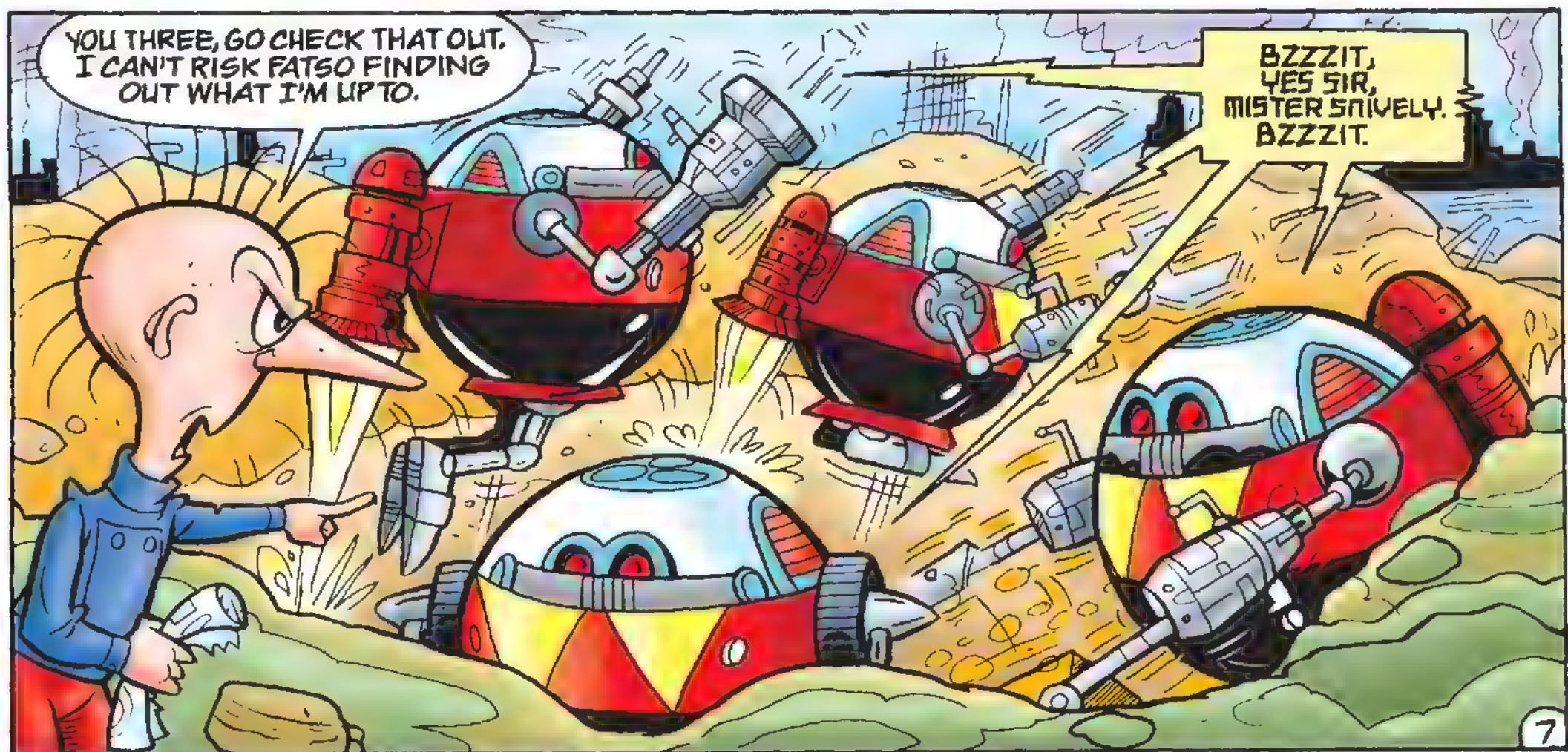
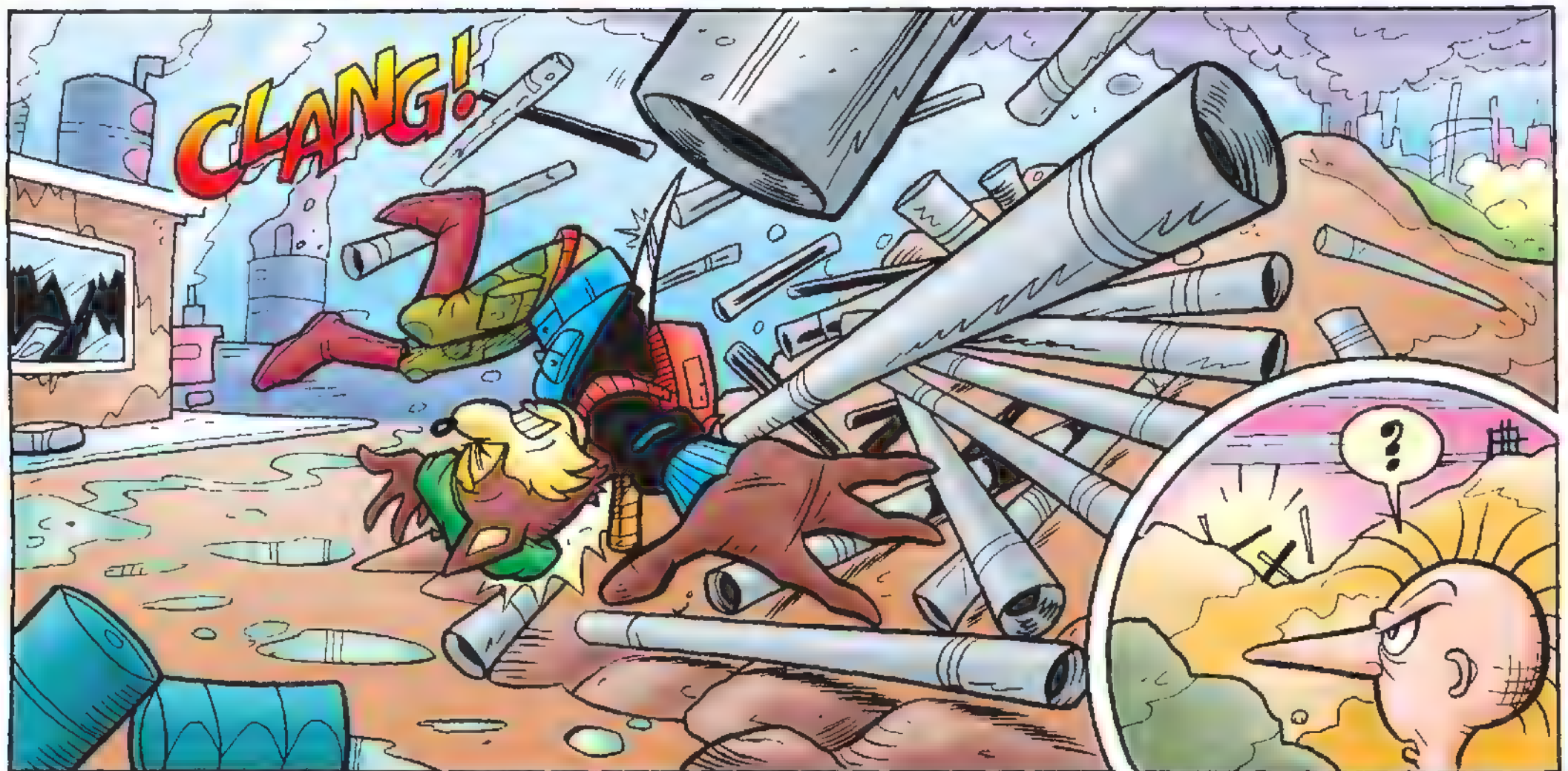
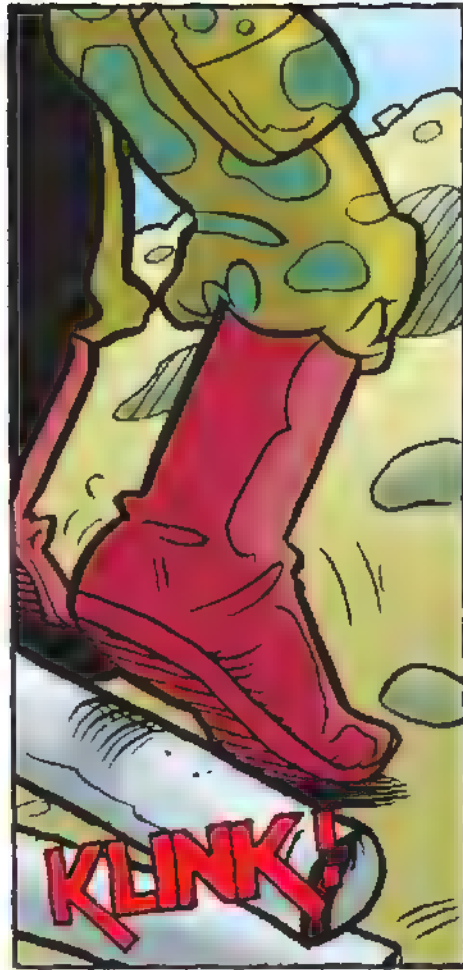
I MUST TELL ZOMEONE. NO, I CAN NOT, TO TELL PRINCEZZ ZALLY OR ANYONE ELZE, WOULD MEAN GIVING AN INCOMPLETE REPORT, AND AZ MY FATHER TOLD ME ONCE, "A REPORT IZ WORT NOTING IF EET IZ INCOMPLETE."

I SHALL DO DIS ON MY OWN.









BZZZIT. SEARCH.

DESTROY. BZZZIT.

ZIS IZ DE END FOR ME.

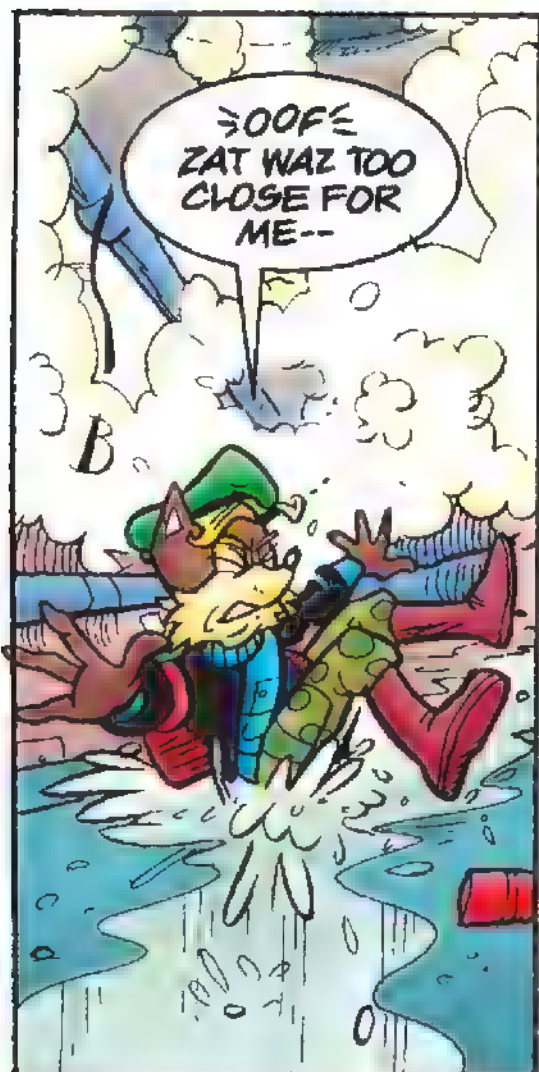
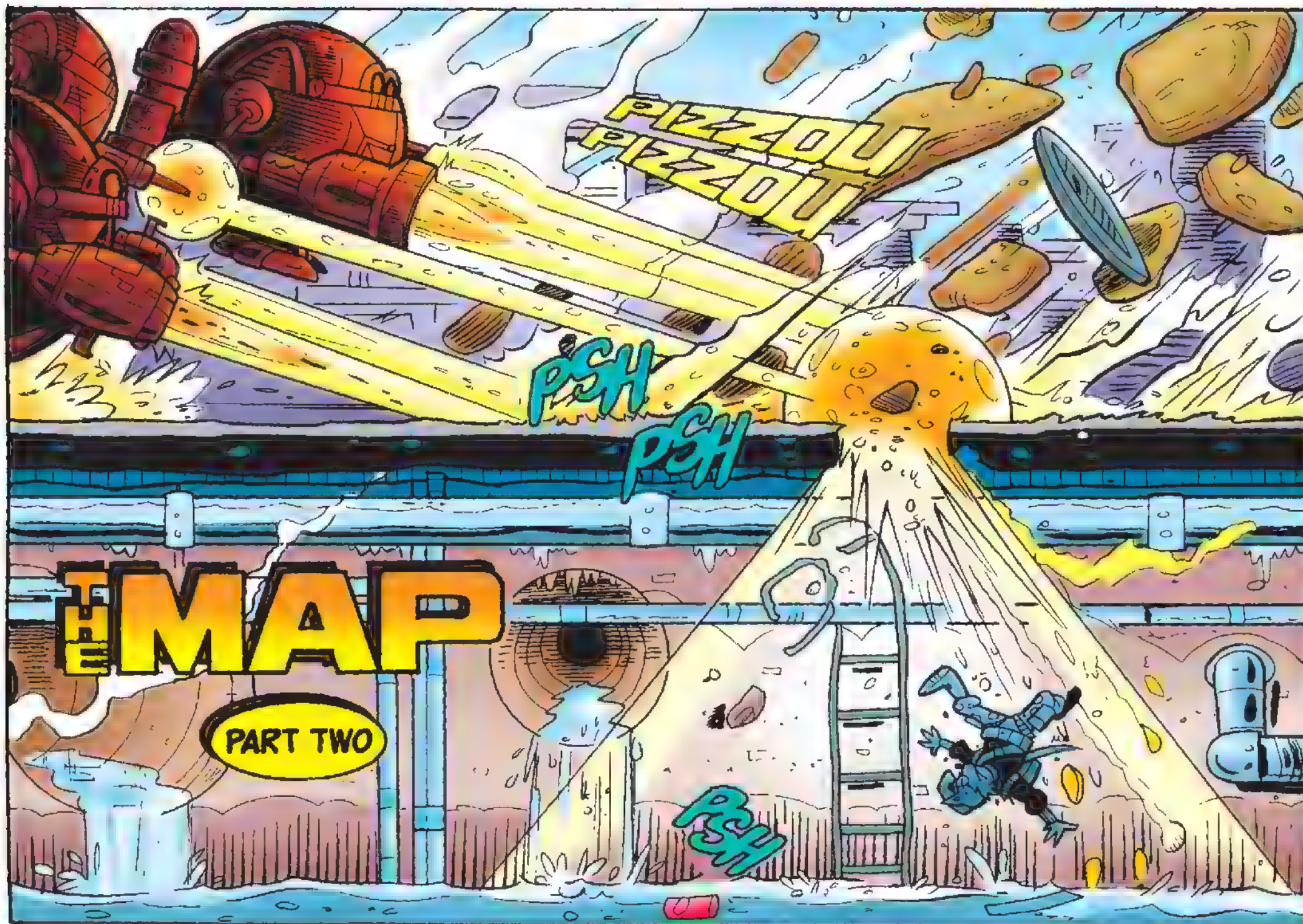
WILL ANTOINE MAKE IT BACK TO KNOTHOLE TO WARN HIS FRIENDS, OR HAS TIME RUN OUT FOR THE FREEDOM FIGHTER?

END OF PART ONE

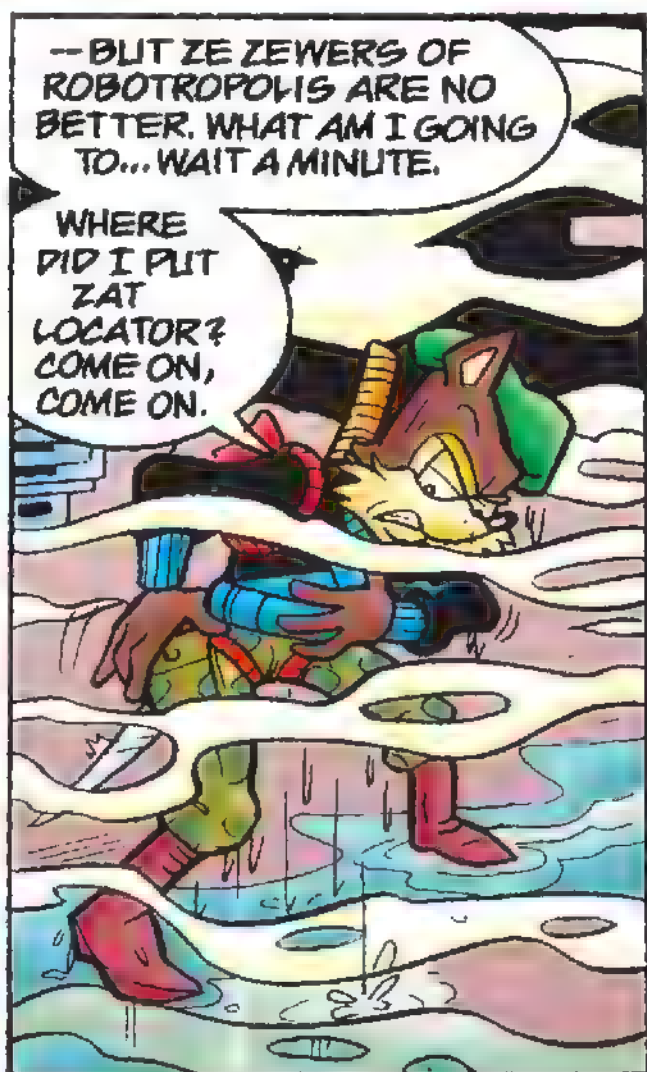


BZZIT. WE HAVE A LOCK ON TARGET. BZZIT.

I AM NOT GOING TO MAKE IT. IT'S BEEN A GOOD LIFE.



ZOOFE ZAT WAZ TOO CLOSE FOR ME--

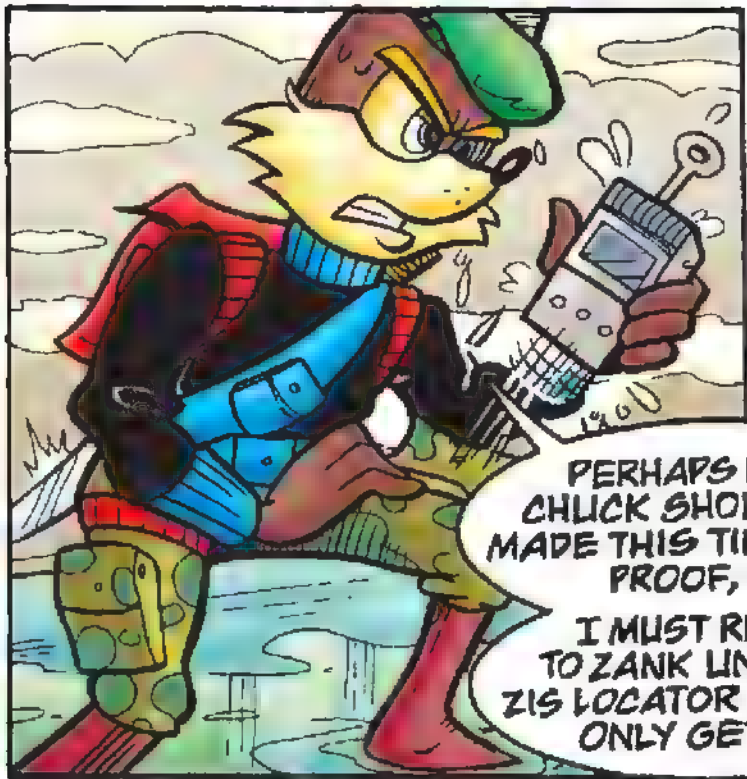


-- BUT ZE ZEWERS OF ROBOTROPOLIS ARE NO BETTER. WHAT AM I GOING TO... WAIT A MINUTE.

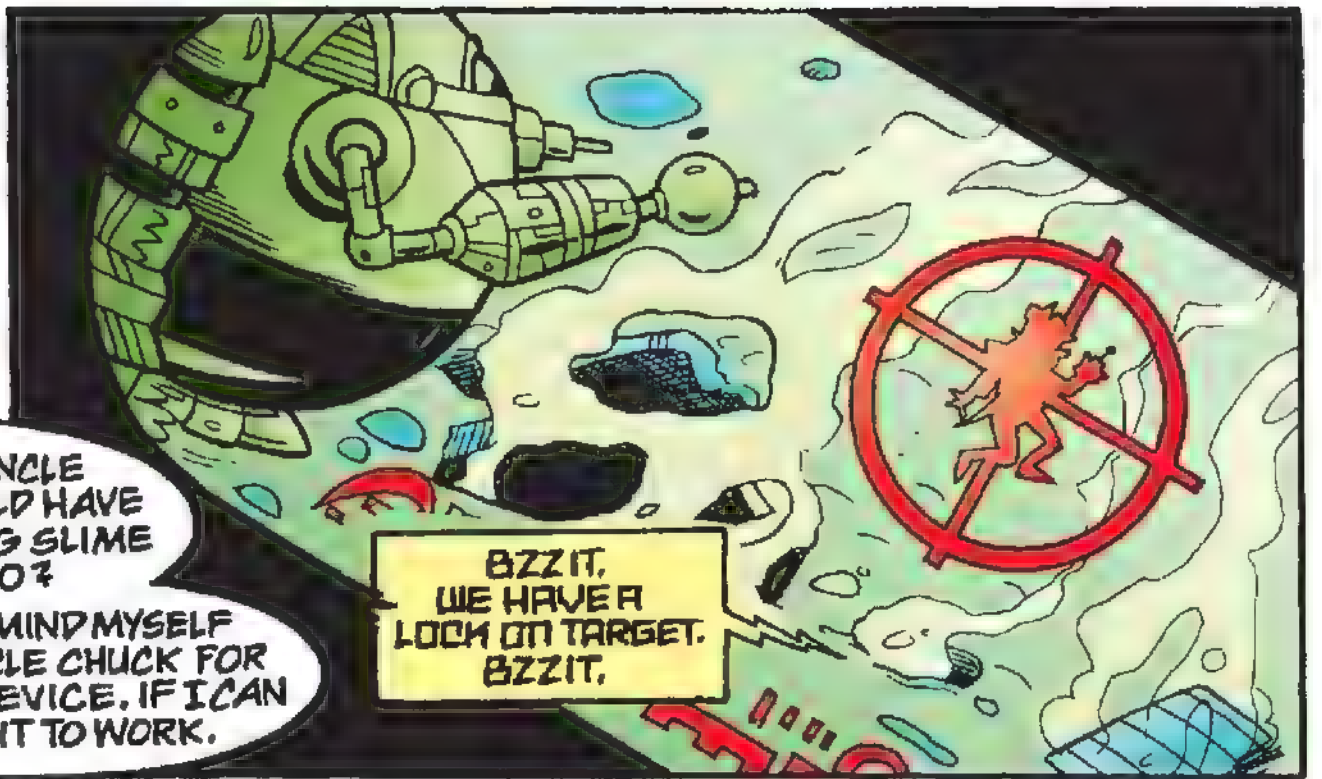
WHERE DID I PUT ZAT LOCATOR? COME ON, COME ON.



WHY DID I HAVE TO WEAR A PAIR OF PANTZ WIT ZO MANY POCKETS?



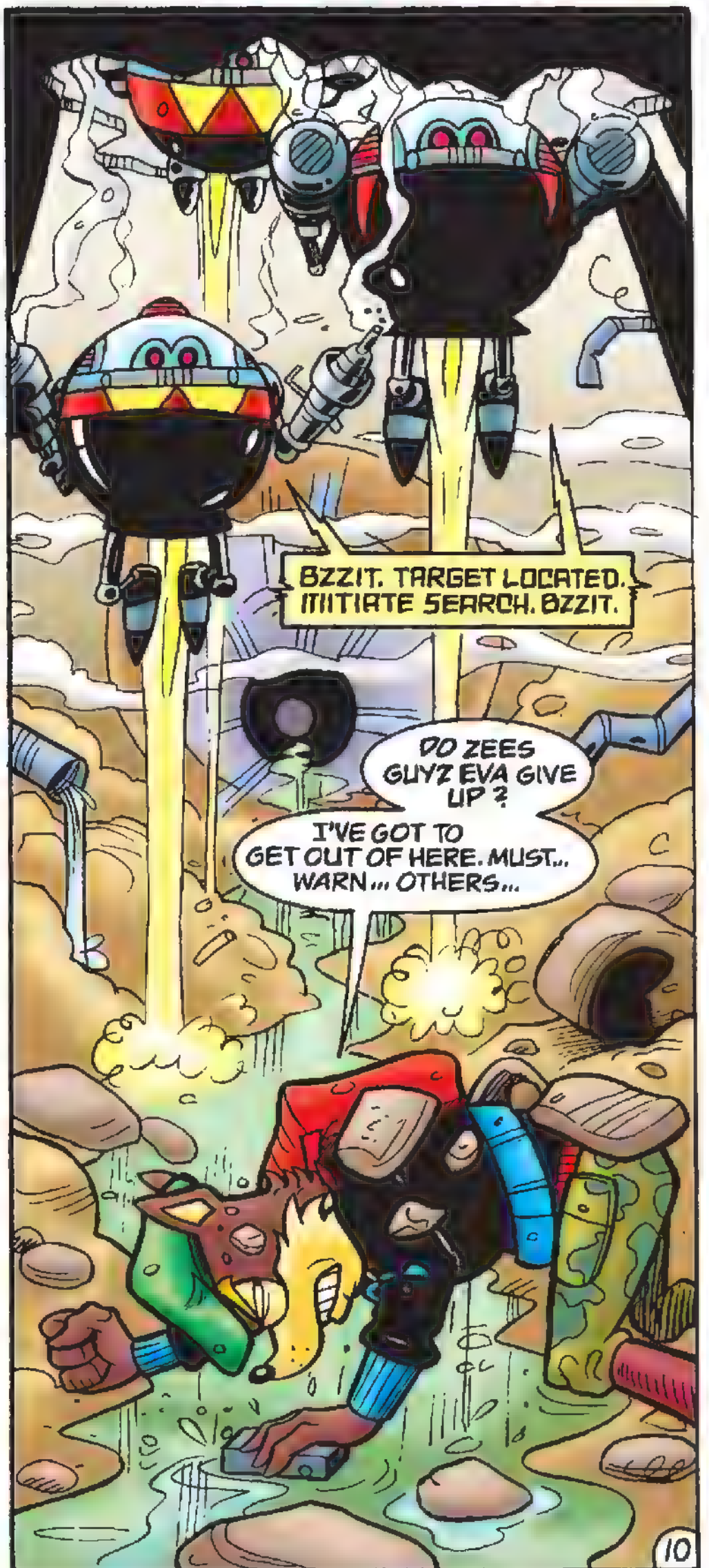
PERHAPS UNCLE CHUCK SHOULD HAVE MADE THIS TING SLIME PROOF, NO?  
I MUST REMIND MYSELF TO ZANK UNCLE CHUCK FOR ZIS LOCATOR DEVICE. IF I CAN ONLY GET IT TO WORK.



BZZIT, WE HAVE A LOCK ON TARGET. BZZIT.



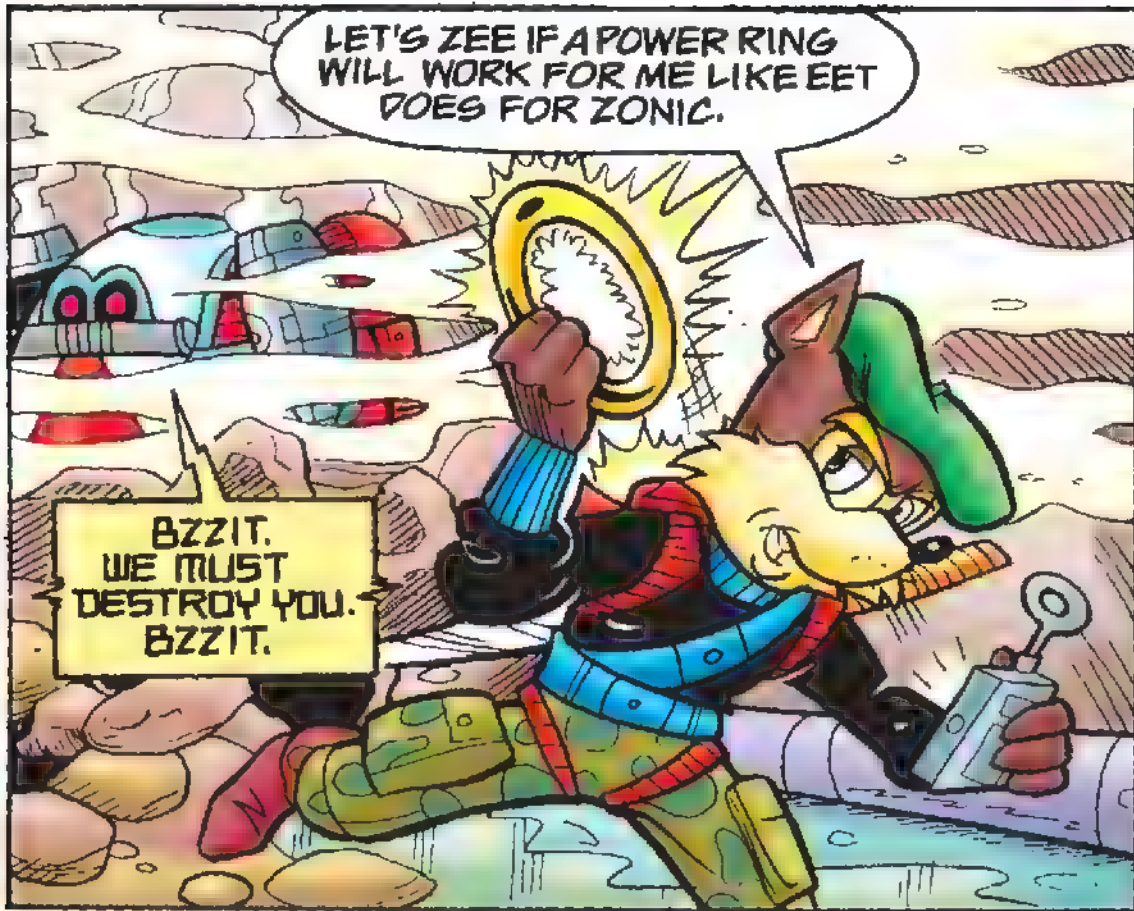
ZONIC WOULD ZAY ZOMETHING SNAPPY RIGHT NOW, BUT I CAN NO TINK OF ANYTING.



BZZIT, TARGET LOCATED. INITIATE SEARCH. BZZIT.

DO ZEES GUYZ EVA GIVE UP?

I'VE GOT TO GET OUT OF HERE. MUST... WARN... OTHERS...



LET'S ZEE IF A POWER RING WILL WORK FOR ME LIKE EET DOES FOR ZONIC.

BZZIT. WE MUST DESTROY YOU. BZZIT.



ZEY SAY IT ENHANCES YOUR NATURAL ABILITIES IF YOU'RE PURE OF HEART. PLEASE. IF YOU NEVA WORK AGAIN, I'LL BE HAPPY. BUT RIGHT NOW...



YES!

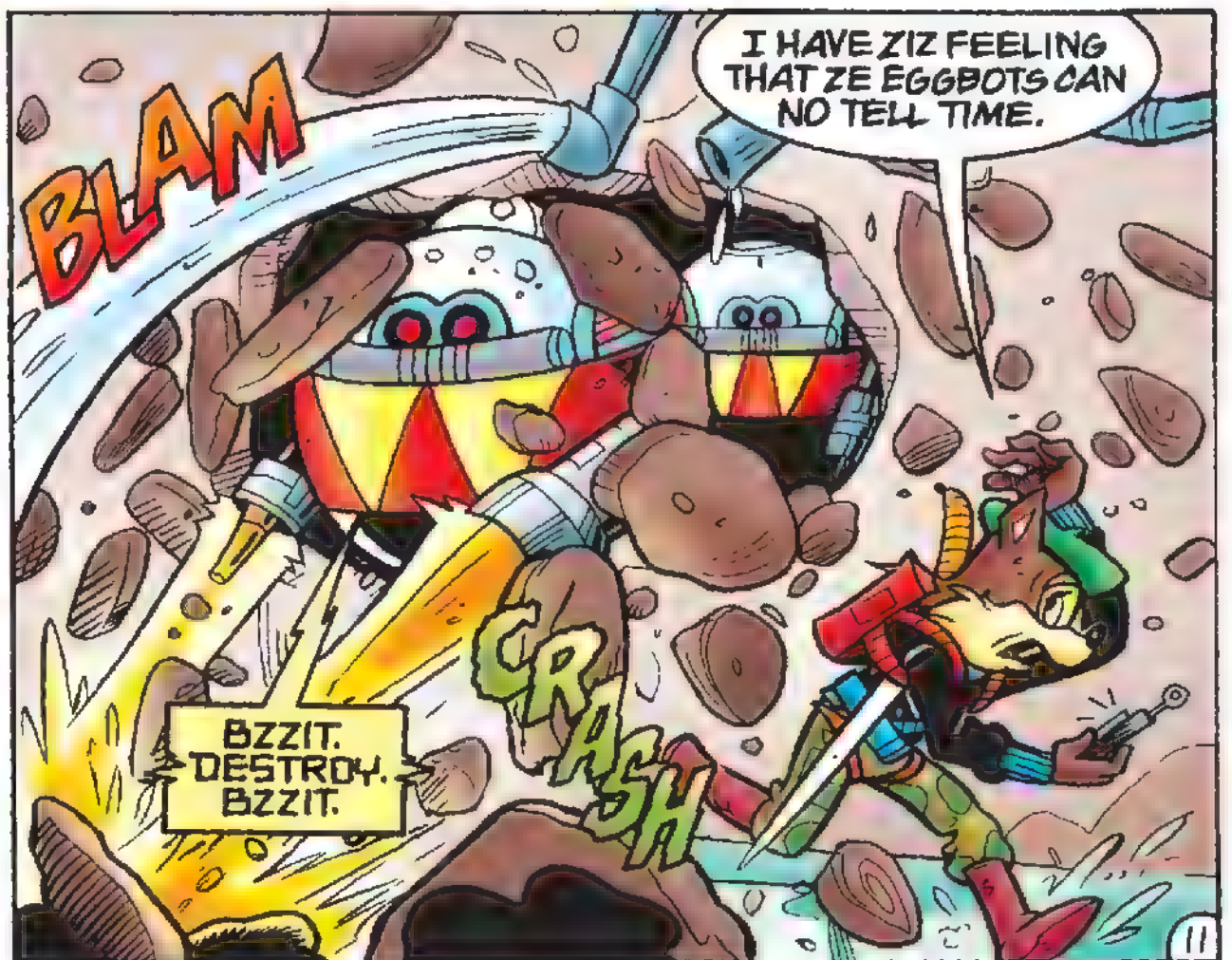
SQUAWK!

SLICE!



ZAT SHOULD HOLD DEM FOR A MOMENT WHILE I CHECK ZE LOCATOR.

ALL I NEED IZ A FEW ZECONDZ...

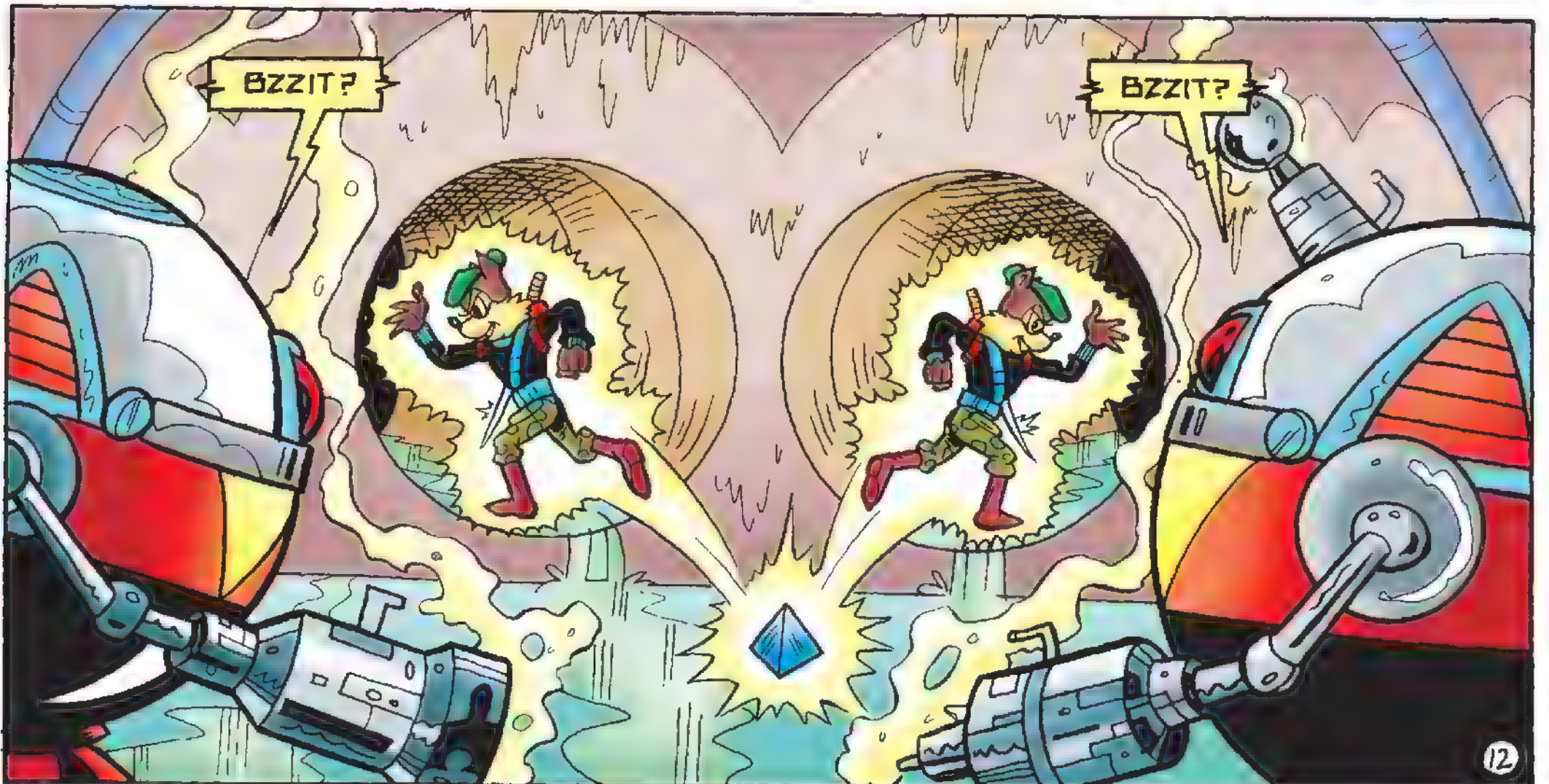
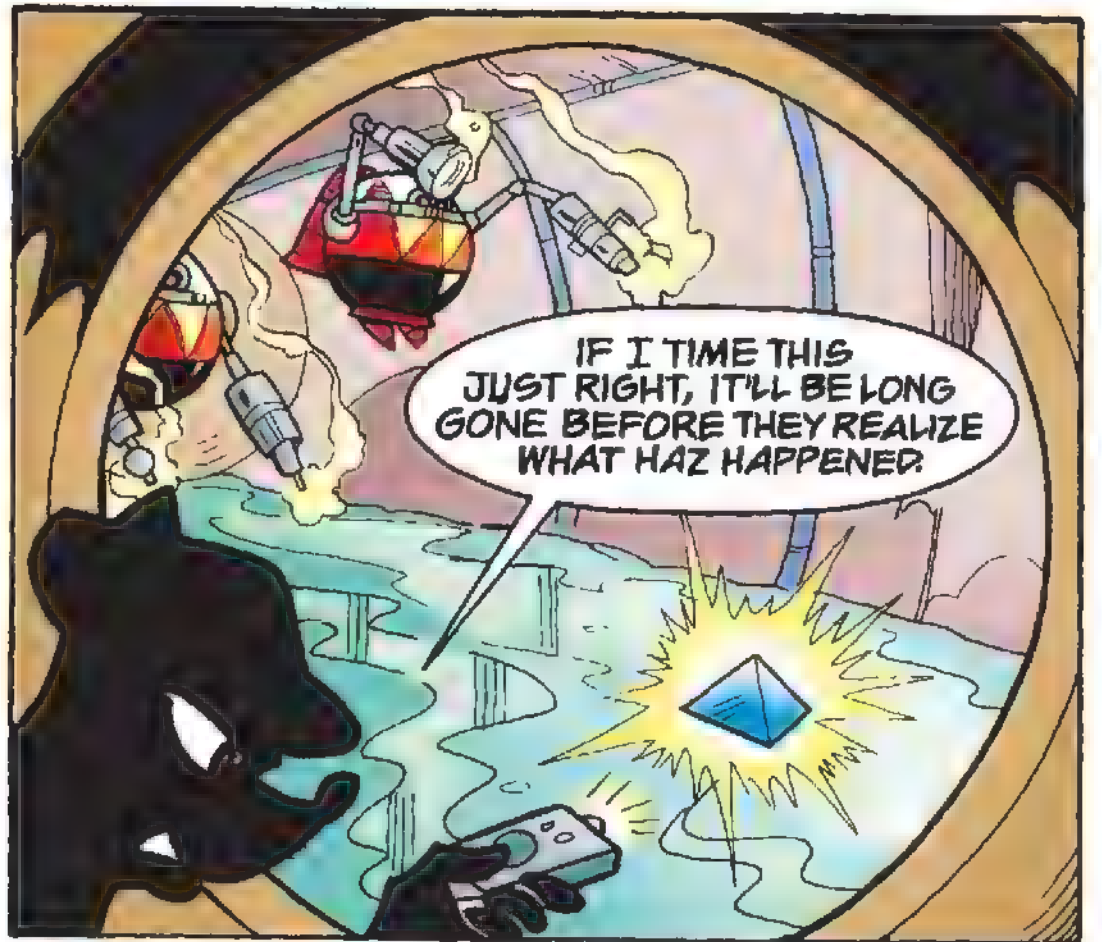
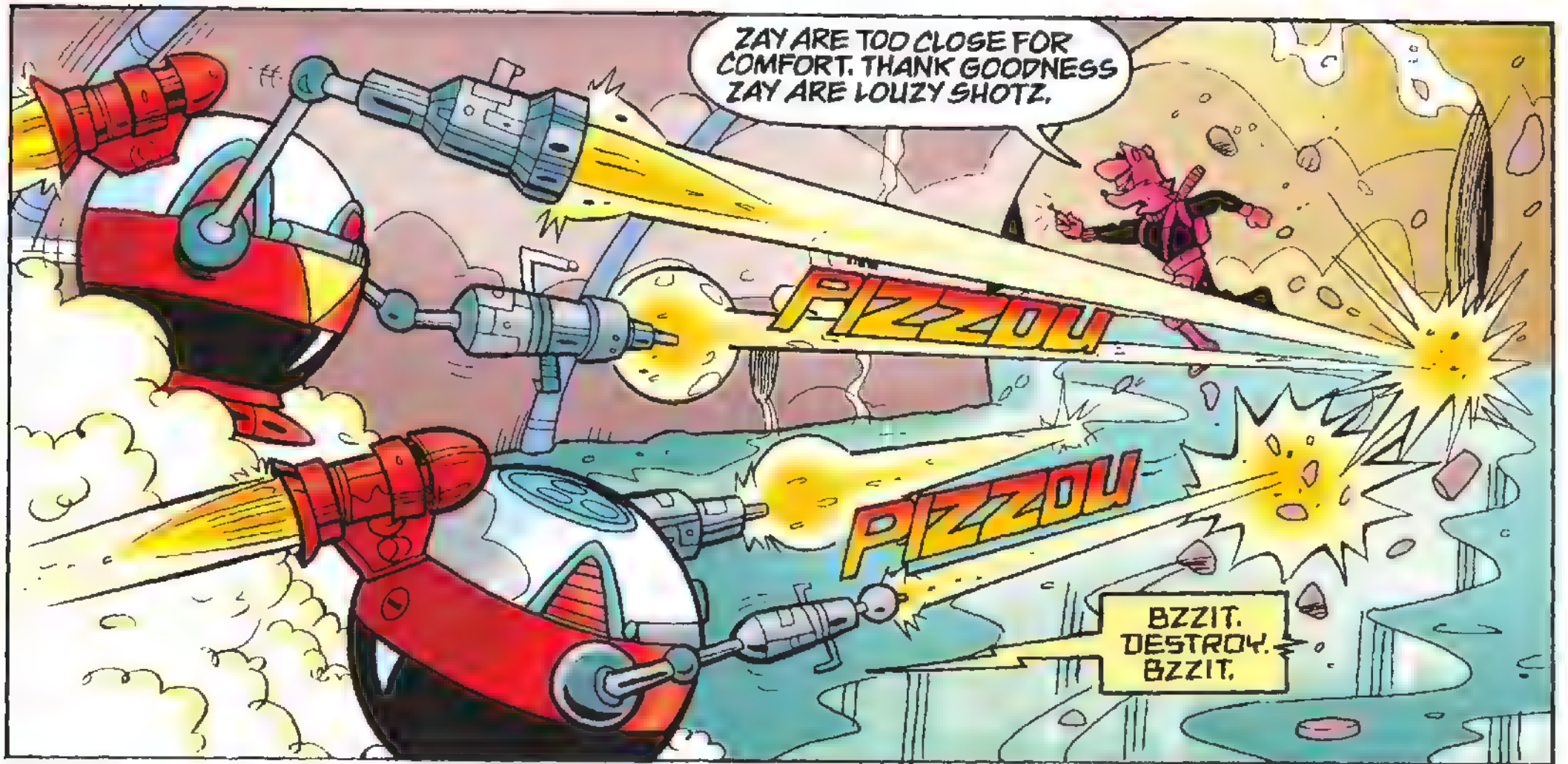


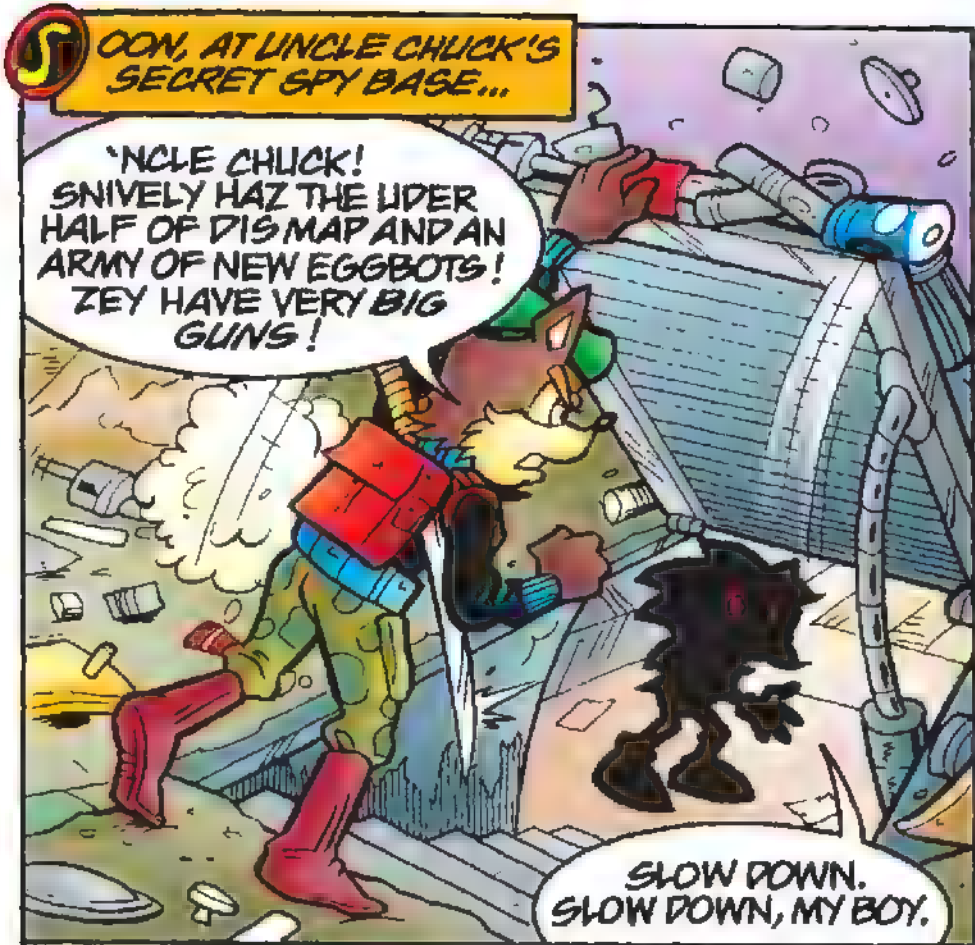
I HAVE ZIZ FEELING THAT ZE EGGBOTS CAN NO TELL TIME.

BLAM

CRASH

BZZIT. DESTROY. BZZIT.

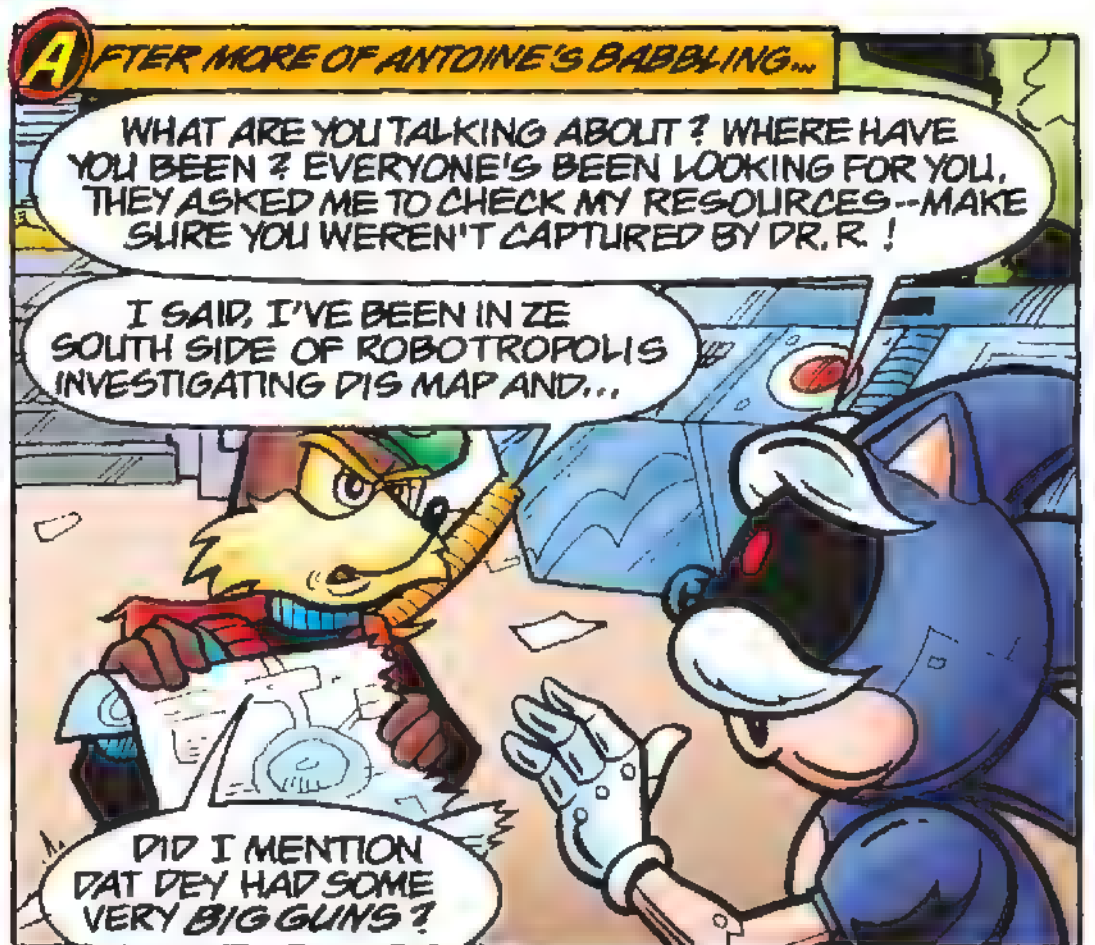




SOON, AT UNCLE CHUCK'S SECRET SPY BASE...

'NCLE CHUCK!  
SNIVELY HAZ THE UPER  
HALF OF DIS MAP AND AN  
ARMY OF NEW EGGBOYS!  
ZEY HAVE VERY BIG  
GUNS!

SLOW DOWN.  
SLOW DOWN, MY BOY.



AFTER MORE OF ANTOINE'S BABBLING...

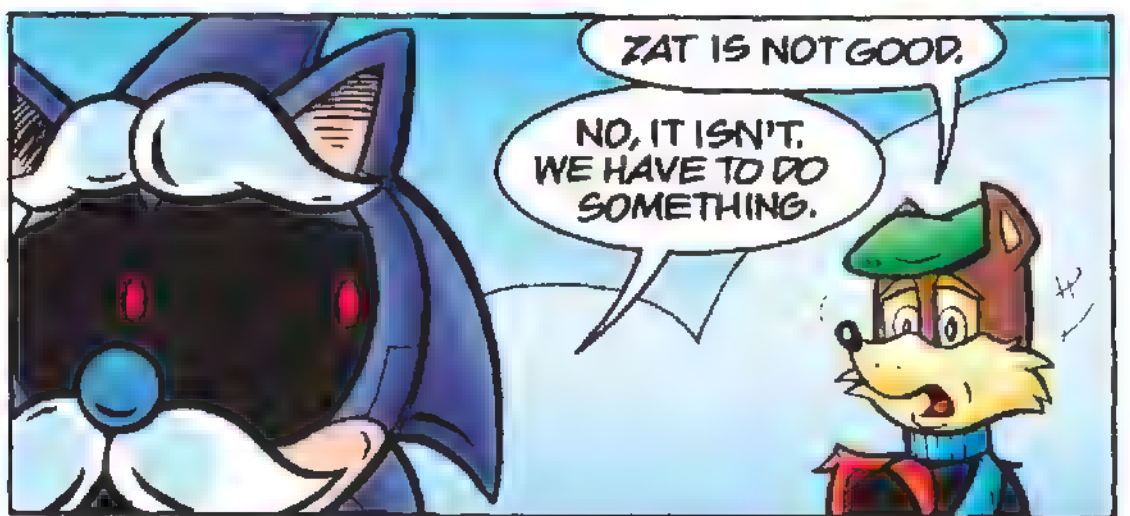
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN? EVERYONE'S BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU, THEY ASKED ME TO CHECK MY RESOURCES--MAKE SURE YOU WEREN'T CAPTURED BY DR. R.!

I SAID, I'VE BEEN IN ZE SOUTH SIDE OF ROBOTROPOLIS INVESTIGATING DIS MAP AND...

DID I MENTION DAT DEY HAD SOME VERY BIG GUNS?



OH MY, ROTOR WAS TRACKING STRANGE SEISMIC ACTIVITY IN THAT AREA YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT. HE TOOK SONIC AND BUNNIE TO CHECK IT OUT.



ZAT IS NOT GOOD.

NO, IT ISN'T. WE HAVE TO DO SOMETHING.



I MUST DO ZIS ALONE. IF IT WEREN'T FOR ME NO TELLING ANYONE WHAT I WAS UP TO, ZIS WOULD NOT HAVE 'APPENED.



I JUST HOPE I MAKE IT BACK IN TIME. HOLD ON TO ZE MAP.

BUT I JUST CAN'T LET YOU...



SORRY--BUT I MUST!

SIGH... GOOD LUCK!

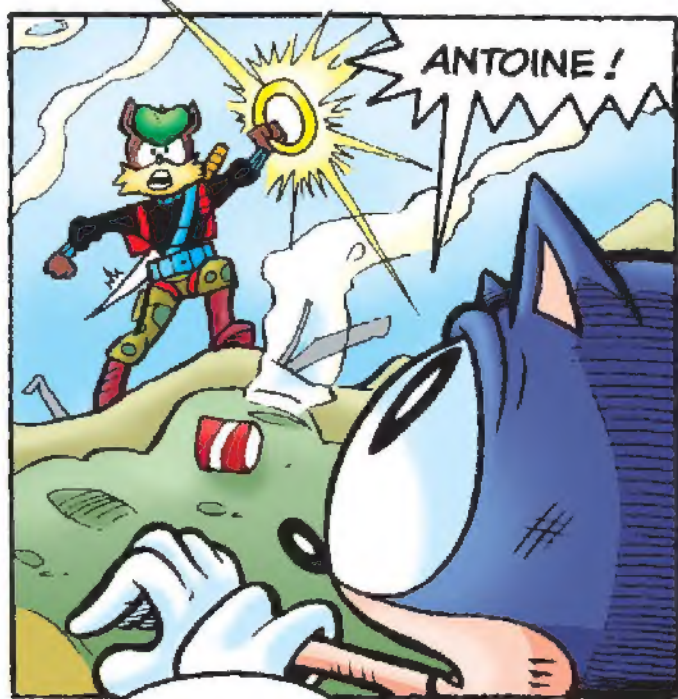




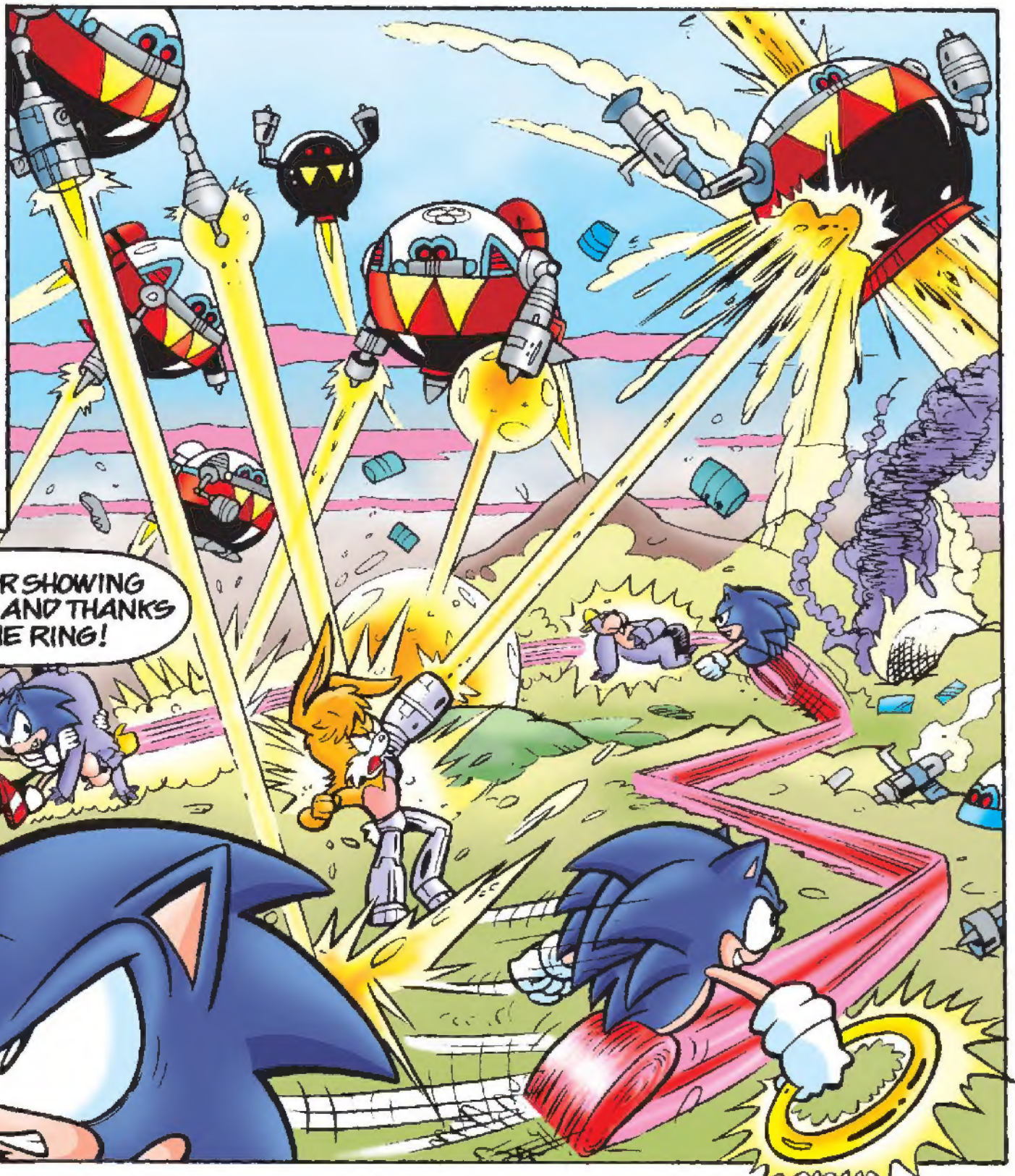
OH, NO!

HANG ON ROTOR, BE THERE IN A JIFF! BUNNIE, I COULD USE SOME COVER FIRE.

YOU GOT IT, SLUGA'!

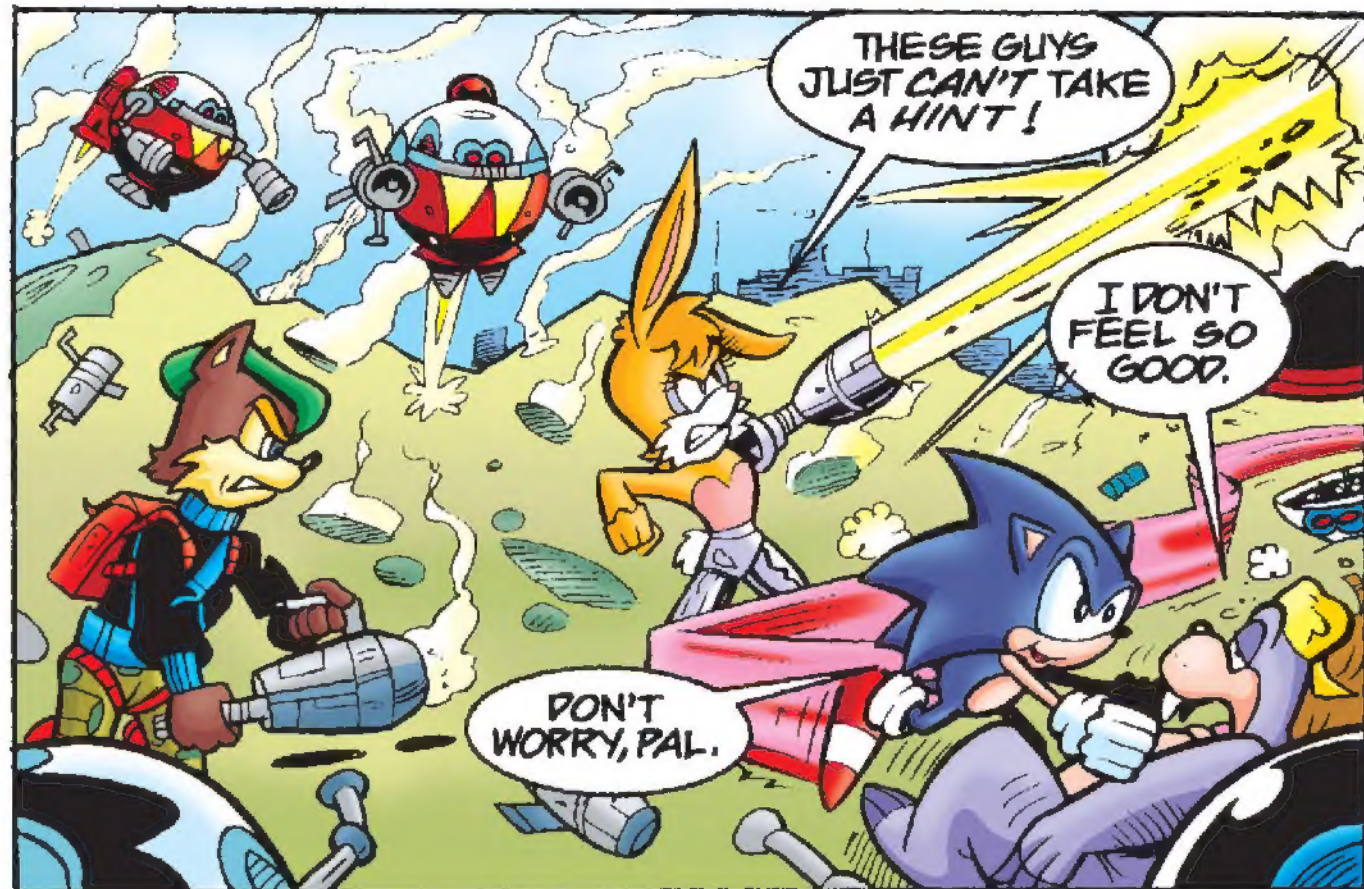


ANTOINE!



--CATCH!

THANKS FOR SHOWING UP ANTOINE, AND THANKS FOR THE RING!



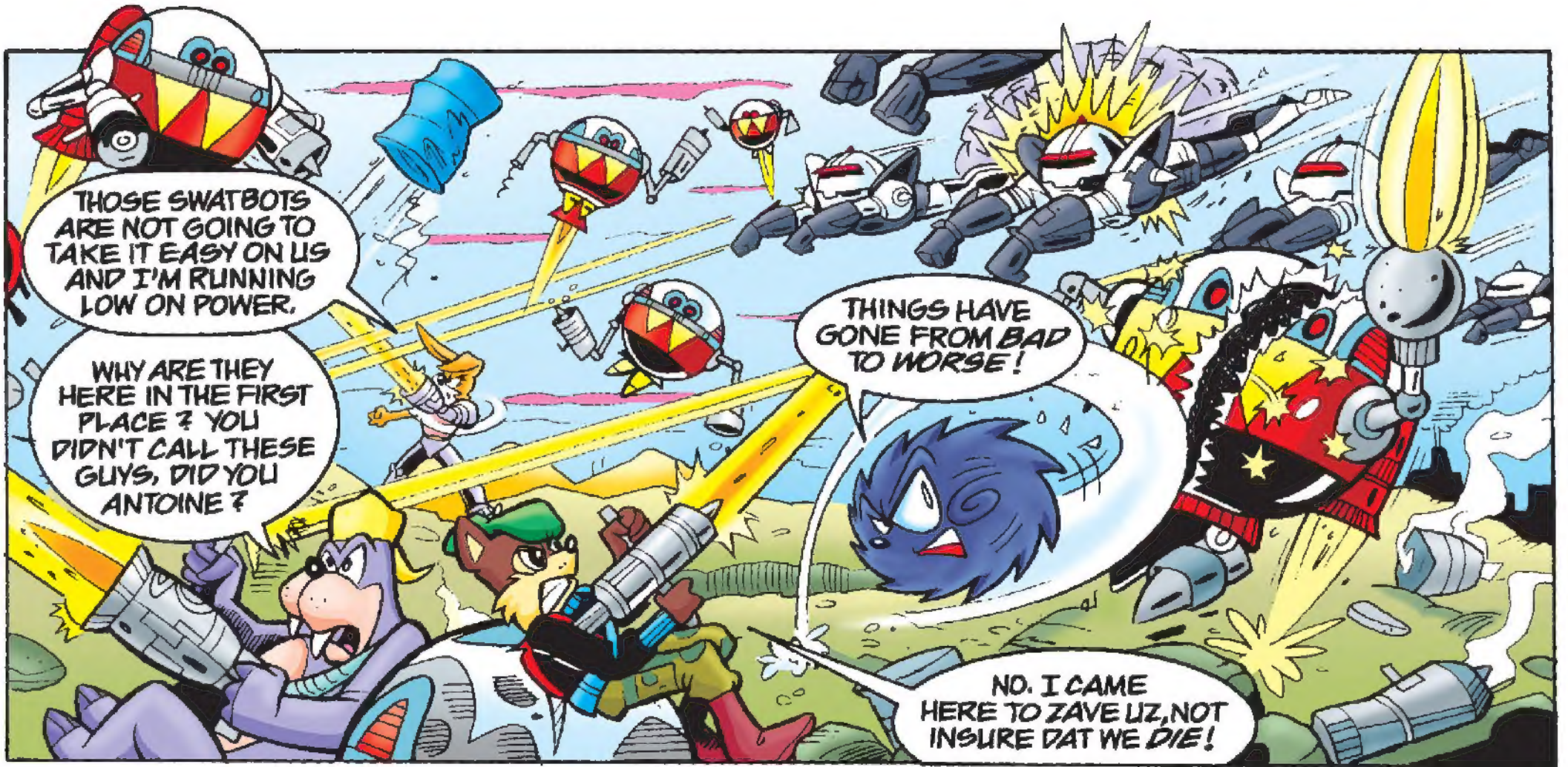
THESE GUYS JUST CAN'T TAKE A HINT!

I DON'T FEEL SO GOOD.

DON'T WORRY, PAL.



BUNNIE--WE'VE GOT INBOUND SWATBOTS AT THREE O'CLOCK.

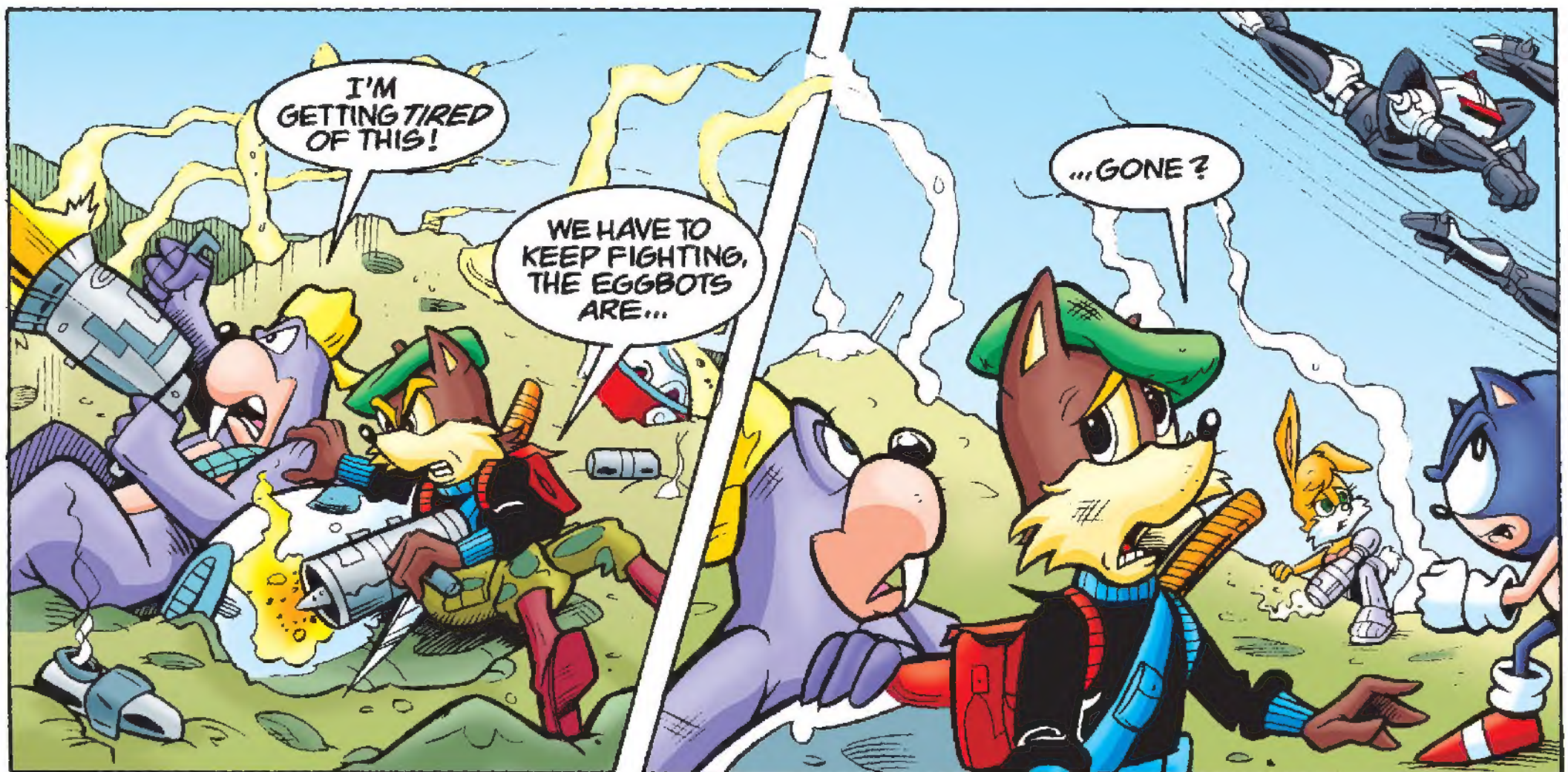


THOSE SWATBOTS ARE NOT GOING TO TAKE IT EASY ON US AND I'M RUNNING LOW ON POWER.

WHY ARE THEY HERE IN THE FIRST PLACE? YOU DIDN'T CALL THESE GUYS, DID YOU ANTOINE?

THINGS HAVE GONE FROM BAD TO WORSE!

NO. I CAME HERE TO ZAVE LIZ, NOT INSURE DAT WE DIE!



I'M GETTING TIRED OF THIS!

WE HAVE TO KEEP FIGHTING, THE EGGBOTS ARE...

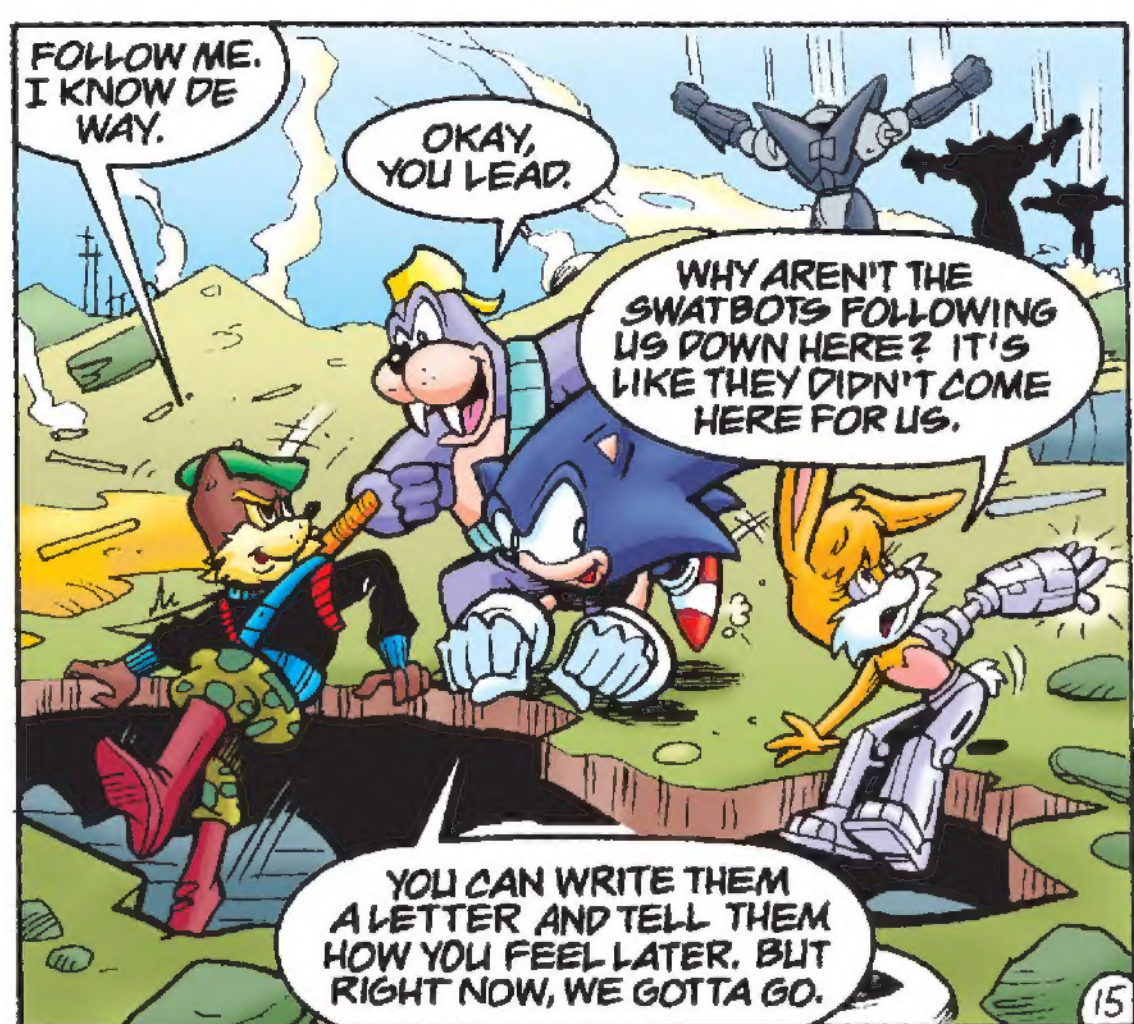
...GONE?



ZIS IS OUR CHANCE.

WELL THEN, LET'S TAKE IT.

TEN-FOUR ON THAT ONE,

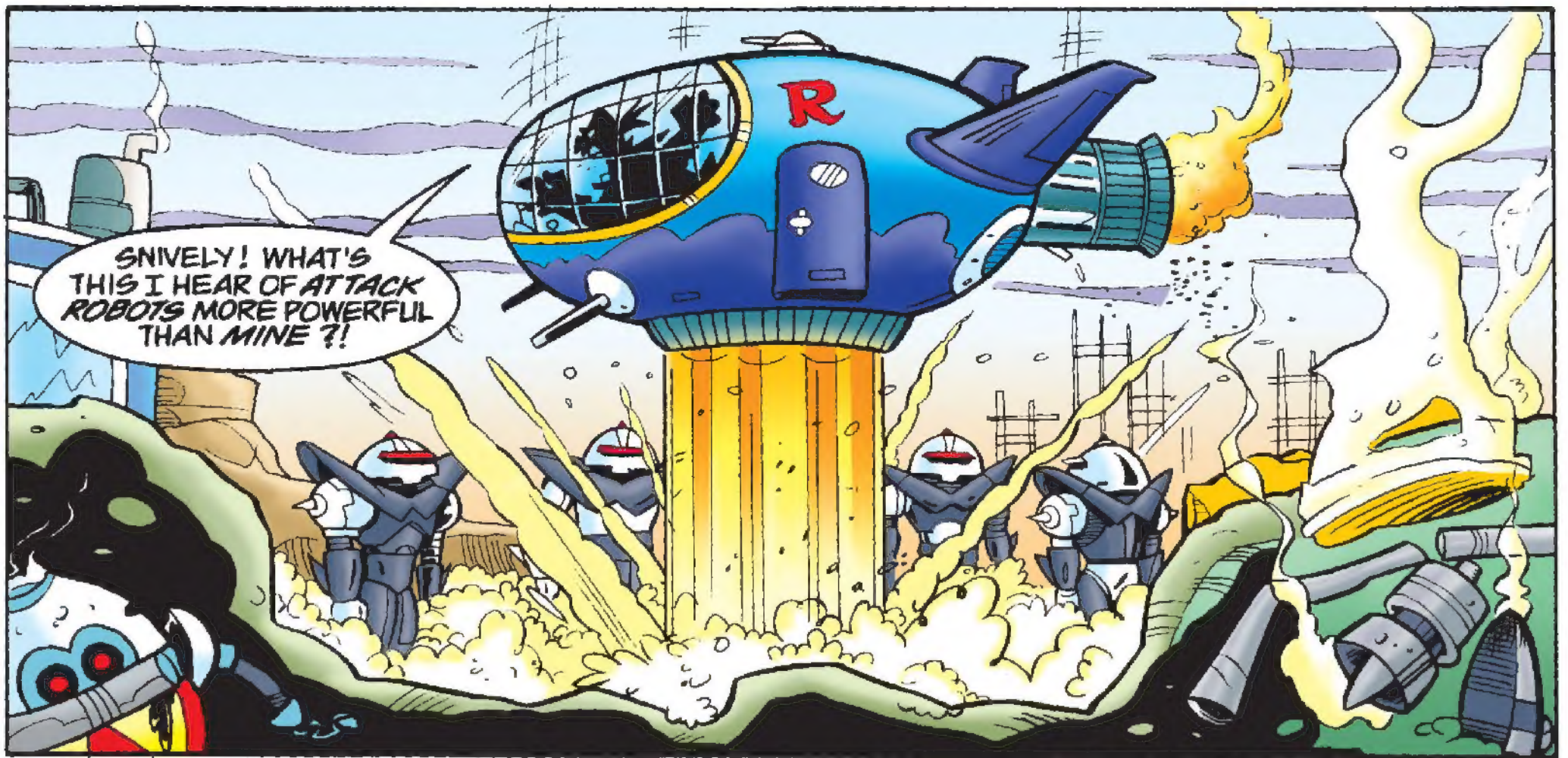


FOLLOW ME. I KNOW DE WAY.

OKAY, YOU LEAD.

WHY AREN'T THE SWATBOTS FOLLOWING US DOWN HERE? IT'S LIKE THEY DIDN'T COME HERE FOR US.

YOU CAN WRITE THEM A LETTER AND TELL THEM HOW YOU FEEL LATER. BUT RIGHT NOW, WE GOTTA GO.



SNIVELY! WHAT'S THIS I HEAR OF ATTACK ROBOTS MORE POWERFUL THAN MINE?!



WHAT ATTACK ROBOTS? OH, YOU MEAN MY DIGGING ROBOTS.

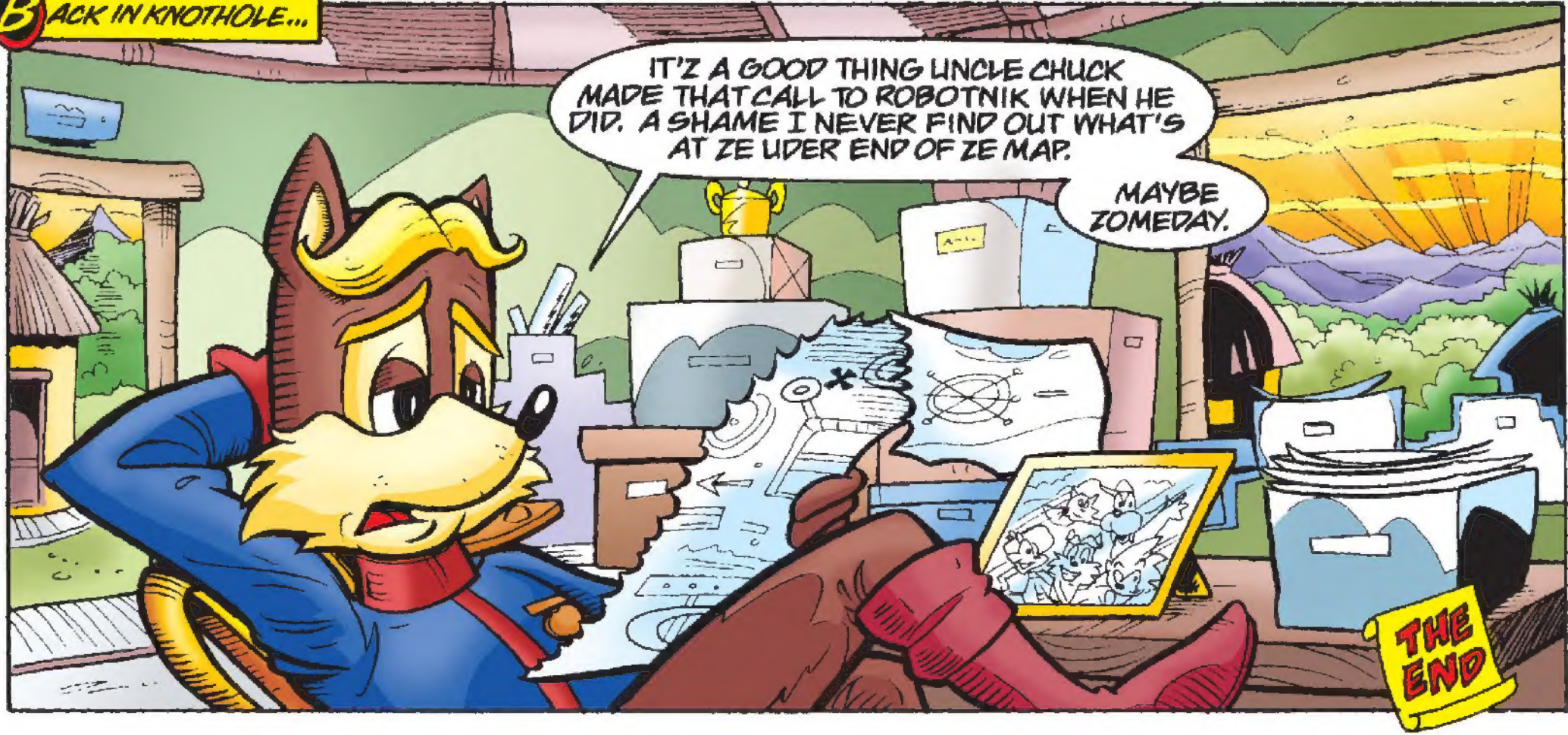
I GOT THIS ANONYMOUS CALL TELLING ME YOU HAD SOME NEW, SUPER-POWERED 'BOTS. YOU DESTROYED THE 'BOTS, DIDN'T YOU?



WELL SIR, THIS IS WHAT HAPPENED: I WAS TESTING AN EXPERIMENTAL TOXIN USED TO LEVEL ANY GROUND STRUCTURE, NAMELY TREES AND THINGS FOUND IN THE FOREST... WHEN THESE ACCURSED FREEDOM FIGHTERS ATTACKED. I'M AFRAID ALL MY RESEARCH WAS DESTROYED, AS WELL AS THE "DIGGING" ROBOTS, SIR.

THEY SHALL PAY A HEAVY PRICE FOR THEIR ARROGANCE, SNIVELY! THIS, I COMMAND!

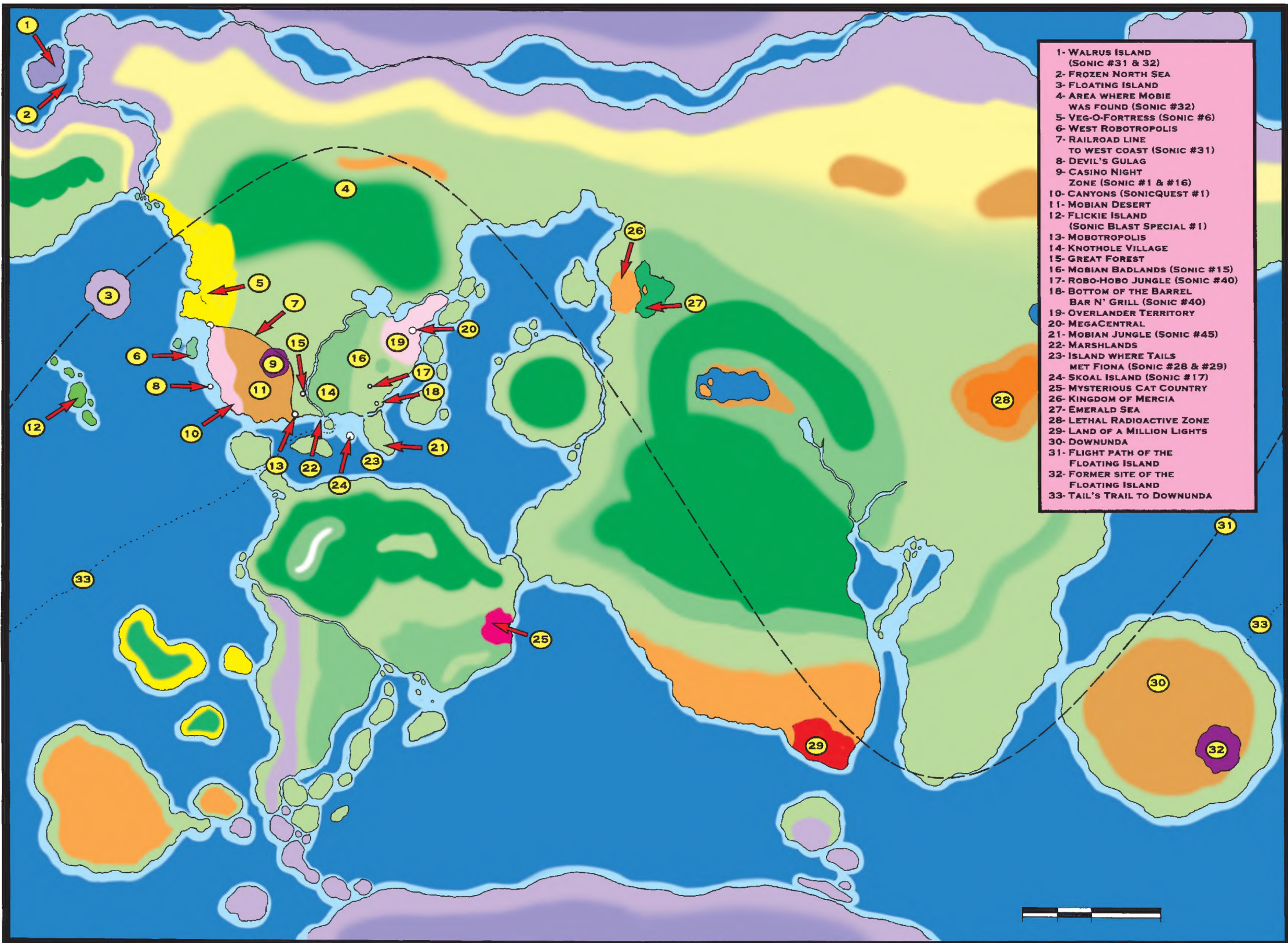
**B**ACK IN KNOTHOLE...



IT'S A GOOD THING UNCLE CHUCK MADE THAT CALL TO ROBOTNIK WHEN HE DID. A SHAME I NEVER FIND OUT WHAT'S AT ZE UDER END OF ZE MAP.

MAYBE ZOMEDAY.

**THE END**



- 1- WALRUS ISLAND (SONIC #31 & 32)
- 2- FROZEN NORTH SEA
- 3- FLOATING ISLAND
- 4- AREA WHERE MOBIE WAS FOUND (SONIC #32)
- 5- VEG-O-FORTRESS (SONIC #6)
- 6- WEST ROBOTROPOLIS
- 7- RAILROAD LINE TO WEST COAST (SONIC #31)
- 8- DEVIL'S GULAG
- 9- CASINO NIGHT ZONE (SONIC #1 & #16)
- 10- CANYONS (SONICQUEST #1)
- 11- MOBIAN DESERT
- 12- FLICKIE ISLAND (SONIC BLAST SPECIAL #1)
- 13- MOBOTROPOLIS
- 14- KNOTHOLE VILLAGE
- 15- GREAT FOREST
- 16- MOBIAN BADLANDS (SONIC #15)
- 17- ROBO-HOBO JUNGLE (SONIC #40)
- 18- BOTTOM OF THE BARREL BAR N' GRILL (SONIC #40)
- 19- OVERLANDER TERRITORY
- 20- MEGACENTRAL
- 21- MOBIAN JUNGLE (SONIC #45)
- 22- MARSHLANDS
- 23- ISLAND WHERE TAILS MET FIONA (SONIC #28 & #29)
- 24- SKOAL ISLAND (SONIC #17)
- 25- MYSTERIOUS CAT COUNTRY
- 26- KINGDOM OF MERCIA
- 27- EMERALD SEA
- 28- LETHAL RADIOACTIVE ZONE
- 29- LAND OF A MILLION LIGHTS
- 30- DOWNUNDA
- 31- FLIGHT PATH OF THE FLOATING ISLAND
- 32- FORMER SITE OF THE FLOATING ISLAND
- 33- TAIL'S TRAIL TO DOWNUNDA

